



\$27,040,000*

Fort Dodge Community School District, Iowa
General Obligation School Bonds
Series 2026

(FAST Closing)
(NOT Bank Qualified)
(Book Entry Only)
(PARITY© Bidding Available)

DATE: Monday, April 27, 2026
TIME: 1:00 PM
PLACE: District Office
109 North 25th Street
Fort Dodge, IA 50501

Standard & Poor's Rating: "A+"

* Preliminary, subject to change

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3900 Ingersoll Ave., Suite 110
Des Moines, IA 50312
515/247-2340

OFFICIAL BID FORM

TO: Board of Directors of the Fort Dodge Community School District, Iowa (the "Issuer")

Re: \$27,040,000* General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2026, dated the date of delivery, of the Issuer (the "Bonds")

For all or none of the above Bonds, we will pay you \$ _____ for Bonds bearing interest rates and maturing in each of the stated years as follows:

<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Due</u>	<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Due</u>
_____	_____	May 1, 2027	_____	_____	May 1, 2037
_____	_____	May 1, 2028	_____	_____	May 1, 2038
_____	_____	May 1, 2029	_____	_____	May 1, 2039
_____	_____	May 1, 2030	_____	_____	May 1, 2040
_____	_____	May 1, 2031	_____	_____	May 1, 2041
_____	_____	May 1, 2032	_____	_____	May 1, 2042
_____	_____	May 1, 2033	_____	_____	May 1, 2043
_____	_____	May 1, 2034	_____	_____	May 1, 2044
_____	_____	May 1, 2035	_____	_____	May 1, 2045
_____	_____	May 1, 2036	_____	_____	May 1, 2046

_____ We hereby elect to have the following issued as term bonds:

<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Month and Year (Inclusive)</u>	<u>Maturity Month and Year</u>
\$ _____	_____ to _____	_____
\$ _____	_____ to _____	_____
\$ _____	_____ to _____	_____
\$ _____	_____ to _____	_____
\$ _____	_____ to _____	_____
\$ _____	_____ to _____	_____

Subject to mandatory redemption requirement in the amounts and at the times shown above

_____ We will not elect to have any bonds issued as term bonds

_____ We represent that we are a bidder with established industry reputation for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds

_____ We will elect to utilize bond insurance from company _____ at a premium of \$ _____

This bid is for prompt acceptance and for delivery of said Bonds to us in compliance with the Official Terms of Offering, which is made a part of this proposal, by reference. Award will be made on a True Interest Cost Basis (TIC).

According to our computations (the correct computation being controlling in the award), we compute the following (to the dated date):

NET INTEREST COST: \$ _____ TRUE INTEREST COST _____ %
 (Computed from the dated date)

 Account Manager

 Signature of Account Manager

The foregoing offer is hereby accepted by and on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Fort Dodge Community School District, in the County of Webster, State of Iowa, this 27th day of April 2026.

ATTEST: _____
 District Secretary

 Board President

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OFFICIAL TERMS OF OFFERING

This section sets forth the description of certain of the terms of the Bonds as well as the terms of offering with which all bidders and bid proposals are required to comply, as follows:

The Bonds to be offered are the following:

GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2026, in the principal amount of \$27,040,000* dated the date of delivery in the denomination of \$5,000 or multiples thereof, and maturing as shown on the front page of the official statement.

ADJUSTMENTS TO PRINCIPAL AMOUNT AFTER DETERMINATION OF BEST BID. The aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, and each scheduled maturity thereof, are subject to increase or reduction by the Issuer or its designee after the determination of the Successful Bidder. The Issuer may increase or decrease each maturity in increments of \$5,000. Interest rates specified by the Successful Bidder for each maturity will not change. Final adjustments shall be in the sole discretion of the Issuer. The total par amount will not exceed \$27,040,000.

The dollar amount bid by the Successful Bidder may be changed if the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, as adjusted as described below, is adjusted, however the interest rates specified by the Successful Bidder for all maturities will not change. The Issuer's municipal advisor will make every effort to ensure that the percentage net compensation to the Successful Bidder (the percentage resulting from dividing (i) the aggregate difference between the offering price of the Bonds to the public and the price to be paid to the Issuer (not including accrued interest), less any bond insurance premium and credit rating fee, if any, to be paid by the Successful Bidder, by (ii) the principal amount of the Bonds) does not increase or decrease from what it would have been if no adjustment was made to principal amounts shown in the maturity schedule.

Optional Redemption: The Bonds maturing after May 1, 2032, may be called for redemption by the Issuer and paid before maturity on said date or any date thereafter, from any funds regardless of source, in whole or from time to time in part, in any order of maturity and within an annual maturity by lot. The terms of redemption shall be par, plus accrued interest to date of call.

Interest: Interest on said Bonds will be payable on November 1, 2026 and semiannually on the 1st day of May and November thereafter. Interest shall be payable by check or draft of the Paying Agent mailed to the persons who were registered owners thereof as of the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the Interest Payment Date, to the addresses appearing on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent or to such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by a registered owner.

Book Entry System: The Bonds will be issued by means of a book entry system with no physical distribution of certificates made to the public. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and one certificate, representing the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in each year, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, which will act as securities depository of the Bonds. Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof of a single maturity through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Principal and interest are payable by the Issuer to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of beneficial owners. The successful bidder, as a condition of delivery of the Bonds, will be required to deposit the certificates with DTC.

Good Faith Deposit: A Good Faith Deposit ("Deposit") in the form of a certified or cashier's check or a wire in the amount of \$270,400* for the Bonds, payable to the order of the Issuer, is required for each bid to be considered. If a check is used, it must accompany each bid. If a wire is to be used, it must be received by the Issuer not later than two hours after the time stated for receipt of bids. The Municipal advisor or the Issuer will provide the apparent winning bidder (the "Purchaser") with wiring instructions, by email, within 10 minutes of the stated time when bids are due. If the wire is not received at the time indicated above, the Issuer will abandon its plan to award to the Purchaser, and will contact the next highest bidder received and offer said bidder the opportunity to become the Purchaser, on the terms as outlined in said bidder's bid, so long as said bidder submits a good faith wire within two hours of the time offered. The Issuer will not award the Bonds to the Purchaser absent receipt of the Deposit prior to action awarding the Bonds. No interest on the Deposit will accrue to the Purchaser. The Deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the Bonds. In the event the Purchaser fails to honor its bid, the Deposit will be retained by the Issuer.

Form of Bids: All bids shall be unconditional for the entire issue of Bonds for a price of not less than 98.80% of par, plus accrued interest, and shall specify the rate or rates of interest in conformity to the limitations set forth herein. Bids must be submitted on or in substantial compliance with the Official Bid Form provided by the Issuer or through the Internet Bid

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System. The Issuer shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by any person, or as a result of the use of the electronic bid, facsimile facilities or the means used to deliver or complete a bid. The use of such facilities or means is at the sole risk of the prospective bidder who shall be bound by the terms of the bid as received.

No bid will be received after the time specified herein. The time as maintained by the Internet Bid System shall constitute the official time with respect to all Bids submitted. A bid may be withdrawn before the bid deadline using the same method used to submit the bid. If more than one bid is received from a bidder, the last bid received shall be considered.

Confidential information sent via secured portal: All confidential information exchanged between the Issuer and the Purchaser (including but not limited to closing details and good faith wire details) must be sent via a secure portal. As a condition to closing, the winning bidder will cooperate with the Issuer, its legal counsel and its municipal advisor to ensure that all confidential information is sent via a secure portal.

Sealed Bidding: Sealed bids may be submitted and will be received at the District Office, Fort Dodge Community School District, 109 North 25th Street, Fort Dodge, IA.

Internet Bidding: Internet bids must be submitted through Parity® ("the Internet Bid System"). Information about the Internet Bid System may be obtained by calling 212-849-5000.

Each bidder shall be solely responsible for making necessary arrangements to access the Internet Bid System for purpose of submitting its internet bid in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of the Official Terms of Offering. The Issuer is permitting bidders to use the services of the Internet Bid System solely as a communication mechanism to conduct the internet bidding and the Internet Bid System is not an agent of the Issuer. Provisions of the Official Terms of Offering shall control in the events of conflict with information provided by the Internet Bid System. The Issuer shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by any person, or as a result of the use of the Internet Bid System. The use of such facilities or means is at the sole risk of the prospective bidder who shall be bound by the terms of the bid as received.

Electronic Facsimile Bidding: Electronic Facsimile Bids will not be accepted.

Rates of Interest: The rates of interest specified in the bidder's proposal must conform to the limitations following:

Rates of interest bid may be in multiples of 1/8th, 1/20th, or 1/100th of 1%.

For maturities 2027-2032, no rate bid may be more than 2% higher than any other rate bid.

For maturities 2033-2046, rates must be in level or ascending order.

Delivery: The Bonds will be delivered to the Purchaser via FAST delivery with the Paying Agent holding the Bonds on behalf of DTC, against full payment in immediately available cash or federal funds. The Bonds are expected to be delivered within sixty days after the sale. Should delivery be delayed beyond sixty days from date of sale for any reason except failure of performance by the Purchaser, the Purchaser may withdraw his bid and thereafter his interest in and liability for the Bonds will cease. (When the Bonds are ready for delivery, the Issuer may give the successful bidder five working days' notice of the delivery date and the Issuer will expect payment in full on that date, otherwise reserving the right at its option to determine that the bidder has failed to comply with the offer of purchase.)

Establishment of Issue Price:

(a) The winning bidder shall assist the Issuer in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the Issuer at Closing an "issue price" or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public or the sales price or prices of the Bonds, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the winning bidder, the Issuer and Bond Counsel. All communications required of the Issuer under this Official Terms of Offering to establish the issue price of the Bonds may be communicated on behalf of the Issuer by the Issuer's municipal advisor identified herein and any notice or report to be provided to the Issuer may be provided to the Issuer's municipal advisor.

(b) The Issuer intends that the provisions of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) (defining "competitive sale" for purposes of establishing the issue price of the Bonds) will apply to the initial sale of the Bonds (the "competitive sale requirements") because:

- (1) the Issuer shall disseminate this Official Term of Offering to potential underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential underwriters;
- (2) all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid;

- (3) the Issuer may receive bids from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds; and
- (4) the Issuer anticipates awarding the sale of the Bonds to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Bonds at the highest price (or lowest interest cost), as set forth in this Official Terms of Offering.

Any bid submitted pursuant to this Official Terms of Offering shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds, as specified in the bid.

(c) In the event that the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, the Issuer shall so advise the winning bidder. The Issuer may determine to treat (i) the first price at which 10% of a maturity of the Bonds (the “10% test”) is sold to the public as the issue price of that maturity and/or (ii) the initial offering price to the public as of the sale date of any maturity of the Bonds as the issue price of that maturity (the “hold-the-offering-price rule”), in each case applied on a maturity-by-maturity basis. The winning bidder shall advise the Issuer if any maturity of the Bonds satisfies the 10% test as of the date and time of the award of the Bonds. The Issuer shall promptly advise the winning bidder, at or before the time of award of the Bonds, which maturities of the Bonds shall be subject to the 10% test or shall be subject to the hold-the-offering-price rule. **Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the Issuer determines to apply the hold-the-offering-price rule to any maturity of the Bonds.** Bidders should prepare their bids on the assumption that some or all of the maturities of the Bonds will be subject to the hold-the-offering-price rule in order to establish the issue price of the Bonds.

(d) By submitting a bid, the winning bidder shall (i) confirm that the underwriters have offered or will offer the Bonds to the public on or before the date of award at the offering price or prices (the “initial offering price”), or at the corresponding yield or yields, set forth in the bid submitted by the winning bidder and (ii) agree, on behalf of the underwriters participating in the purchase of the Bonds, that the underwriters will neither offer nor sell unsold Bonds of any maturity to which the hold-the-offering-price rule shall apply to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the public during the period starting on the sale date and ending on the earlier of the following:

- (1) the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date; or
- (2) the date on which the underwriters have sold at least 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

The winning bidder will advise the Issuer promptly after the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date whether it has sold 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

(e) If the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, then until the 10% test has been satisfied as to each maturity of the Bonds, the winning bidder agrees to promptly report to the Issuer the prices at which the unsold Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public. That reporting obligation shall continue, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until either (i) all Bonds of that maturity have been sold or (ii) the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity, provided that, the winning bidder’s reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the Issuer or bond counsel.

(f) The Issuer acknowledges that, in making the representations set forth above, the winning bidder will rely on (i) the agreement of each underwriter to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Bonds, as set forth in an agreement among underwriters and the related pricing wires, (ii) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Bonds, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires, and (iii) in the event that an underwriter or dealer who is a member of the selling group is a party to a third-party distribution agreement that was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Bonds, as set forth in the third-party distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The Issuer further acknowledges that each underwriter shall be solely liable for its failure to comply with its agreement regarding the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Bonds, and that no underwriter shall be liable for the failure of any other underwriter, or of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement to comply with its corresponding agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Bonds.

(g) By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that: (i) any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each third-party distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter, each dealer who is a

member of the selling group, and each broker-dealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement, as applicable:

(i)(A) to report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allocated to it, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until either all Bonds of that maturity allocated to it have been sold or it is notified by the winning bidder that the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity, provided that, the reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the winning bidder, and (ii) to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder and as set forth in the related pricing wires, (B) to promptly notify the winning bidder of any sales of Bonds that, to its knowledge, are made to a purchaser who is a related party to an underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (each such term being used as defined below), and (C) to acknowledge that, unless otherwise advised by the underwriter, dealer or broker-dealer, the winning bidder shall assume that each order submitted by the underwriter, dealer or broker-dealer is a sale to the public.

(ii) any agreement among underwriters or selling group agreement relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter or dealer that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allocated to it, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until either all Bonds of that maturity allocated to it have been sold or it is notified by the winning bidder or such underwriter that the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity, provided that, the reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the winning bidder or such underwriter, and (B) comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder or the underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

(h) Sales of any Bonds to any person that is a related party to an underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (each such term being used as defined below) shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this Official Terms of Offering. Further, for purposes of this Official Terms of Offering:

(i) "public" means any person other than an underwriter or a related party,

(ii) "underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public),

(iii) a purchaser of any of the Bonds is a "related party" to an underwriter if the underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (A) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (B) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (C) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other), and

(iv) "sale date" means the date that the Bonds are awarded by the Issuer to the winning bidder.

Official Statement: The Official Statement, when further supplemented by an addendum or addenda specifying the maturity dates, principal amounts, and interest rates of the Bonds, and any other information required by law or deemed appropriate by the Issuer, shall constitute a "Final Official Statement" of the Issuer with respect to the Bonds, as that term is defined in Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule"). By awarding the Bonds to any underwriter or underwriting syndicate submitting an Official Bid Form therefore, the Issuer agrees that, no more than seven (7) business days after the date of such award, it shall provide without cost to the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded one ".pdf" copy of the Official Statement and the addendum described in the preceding sentence to permit each "Participating Underwriter" (as that term is defined in the Rule) to comply with the provisions of such Rule. The Issuer shall treat the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded as its designated agent for purposes of distributing copies of the Final Official Statement to each participating Underwriter. Any underwriter executing and delivering an Official Bid Form with respect to the Bonds agrees thereby that if its bid is accepted by the Issuer, (i) it shall accept such designation and (ii) it shall enter into a contractual relationship with all Participating Underwriters of the Bonds for purposes of assuring the receipt by each such Participating Underwriter of the Final Official Statement.

CUSIP Numbers: It is anticipated that CUSIP numbers will be printed on the Bonds. In no event will the Issuer be responsible for or Bond Counsel review or express any opinion of the correctness of such numbers, and incorrect numbers on said Bonds

shall not be cause for the purchaser to refuse to accept delivery of the Bonds. The fee will be paid for by the Issuer.

Responsibility of Bidder: It is the responsibility of the bidder to deliver its signed, completed bid prior to the time of sale as posted on the front cover of the official statement. Neither the Issuer nor its Municipal Advisor will assume responsibility for the collection of or receipt of bids. Bids received after the appointed time of sale will not be opened.

Continuing Disclosure: In order to permit bidders for the Bonds and other participating underwriters in the primary offering of the Bonds to comply with paragraph (b)(5) of the Rule, the Issuer will covenant and agree, for the benefit of the registered holders or beneficial owners from time to time of the outstanding Bonds, in the Bond Resolution and pursuant to a Continuing Disclosure Certificate, to provide annual reports of specified information and notice of the occurrence of certain events, if material, as hereinafter described (the "Disclosure Covenants"). The information to be provided on annual basis, the events as to which notice is to be given, if material, and a summary of other provisions of the Disclosure Covenants, including termination, amendment and remedies, are set forth in Appendix C to this Official Statement.

Breach of the Disclosure Covenants will not constitute a default or an "Event of Default" under the Bonds or Resolution. A broker or dealer is to consider a known breach of the Disclosure Covenants, however, before recommending the purchase or sale of the Bonds in the secondary market. Thus, a failure on the part of the Issuer to observe the Disclosure Covenants may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Bonds and their market price.

For more information see the Continuing Disclosure section herein.

Bond Insurance: Application has not been made for municipal bond insurance. Should the Bonds qualify for the issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance or commitment therefore at the option of the bidder, the purchase of any such insurance policy or the issuance of any such commitment shall be at the sole option and expense of the Purchaser. Any increased costs of issuance on the Bonds resulting from such purchase of insurance shall be paid by the Purchaser, except that, if the Issuer has requested and received a rating on the Bonds from a municipal bond rating service, the Issuer will pay that rating fee. Any other rating service fees shall be the responsibility of the Purchaser.

Requested modifications to the Bond Resolution or other issuance documents shall be accommodated by the Issuer at its sole discretion. In no event will modifications be made regarding the investment of funds created under the Bond Resolution or other issuance documents without prior Issuer consent, in its sole discretion. Either the Purchaser or the insurer must agree, in the insurance commitment letter or separate agreement acceptable to the Issuer in its sole discretion, to pay any future continuing disclosure costs of the Issuer associated with any rating changes assigned to the municipal bond insurer after closing (for example, if there is a rating change on the municipal bond insurer that require a material event notice filing by the Issuer, the Purchaser or the municipal bond insurer must agree to pay the reasonable costs associated with such filing). Failure of the municipal bond insurer to issue the policy after the Bonds have been awarded to the Purchaser shall not constitute cause for failure or refusal by the Purchaser to accept delivery of the Bonds.

PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED APRIL 17, 2026

NEW ISSUE - DTC BOOK ENTRY ONLY

Rating: "A+"

Assuming compliance with certain covenants, in the opinion of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Bond Counsel, under present law and assuming continued compliance with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Interest on the Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax on individuals; however, such interest may be taken into account for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations. Interest on the Bonds is not exempt from present Iowa income taxes. The Bonds will NOT be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations". See "TAX EXEMPTION AND RELATED TAX MATTERS" section for a more detailed discussion.



\$27,040,000*

Fort Dodge Community School District, Iowa General Obligation School Bonds Series 2026

Dated: Date of Delivery

The General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2026 described above (the "Bonds") are issuable as fully registered Bonds in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as Bondholder and nominee of the Depository Trust Company, New York, NY ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Purchases of the Bonds will be made in book-entry form. Purchasers of the Bonds will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Bonds purchased. So long as DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co., is the Bondholder, the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds will be paid by UMB Bank, n.a., as Registrar and Paying Agent (the "Registrar"), or its successor, to DTC, or its nominee, Cede & Co. Disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners is the responsibility of the DTC Participants as more fully described herein. Neither Fort Dodge Community School District, Iowa (the "District" or the "Issuer") nor the Registrar will have any responsibility or obligation to such DTC Participants, indirect participants or the persons for whom they act as nominee with respect to the Bonds.

Interest on the Bonds is payable on May 1, and November 1 in each year, beginning November 1, 2026 to the registered owners thereof. Interest shall be payable by check or draft of the Paying Agent mailed to the persons who were registered owners thereof as of the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the Interest Payment Date, to the addresses appearing on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent or to such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by a registered owner.

The Bonds maturing after May 1, 2032 may be called for redemption by the Issuer and paid before maturity on said date or any date thereafter, from any funds regardless of source, in whole or from time to time in part, in any order of maturity and within an annual maturity by lot. The terms of redemption shall be par, plus accrued interest to date of call.

MATURITY SCHEDULE

<u>Bonds Due</u>	<u>Amount*</u>	<u>Rate *</u>	<u>Yield *</u>	<u>Cusip #'s **</u>	<u>Bonds Due</u>	<u>Amount*</u>	<u>Rate *</u>	<u>Yield *</u>	<u>Cusip #'s **</u>
May 1, 2027	\$1,000,000			347244 AW5	May 1, 2037	\$1,520,000			347244 BG9
May 1, 2028	250,000			347244 AX3	May 1, 2038	1,585,000			347244 BH7
May 1, 2029	250,000			347244 AY1	May 1, 2039	1,645,000			347244 BJ3
May 1, 2030	250,000			347244 AZ8	May 1, 2040	1,710,000			347244 BK0
May 1, 2031	250,000			347244 BA2	May 1, 2041	1,780,000			347244 BL8
May 1, 2032	1,250,000			347244 BB0	May 1, 2042	1,850,000			347244 BM6
May 1, 2033	1,300,000			347244 BC8	May 1, 2043	1,925,000			347244 BN4
May 1, 2034	1,355,000			347244 BD6	May 1, 2044	2,000,000			347244 BP9
May 1, 2035	1,405,000			347244 BE4	May 1, 2045	2,085,000			347244 BQ7
May 1, 2036	1,465,000			347244 BF1	May 1, 2046	2,165,000			347244 BR5

\$ _____ % Term bond due Priced to yield CUSIP # _____

The Bonds are being offered when, as and if issued by the Issuer and accepted by the Underwriter, subject to receipt of an opinion as to legality, validity and tax exemption by Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Des Moines, Iowa, Bond Counsel. Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. is also serving as Disclosure Counsel to the Issuer. Piper Sandler & Co. is serving as Municipal Advisor to the Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Municipal Advisor by Dentons Davis Brown P.C., Des Moines, Iowa. It is expected that the Bonds in the definitive form will be available for delivery through the facilities of DTC on or about May 27, 2026. The Underwriter intends to engage in secondary market trading of the Bonds subject to applicable securities laws. The Underwriter is not obligated, however, to repurchase any of the Bonds at the request of the holder thereof.

The Date of this Official Statement is _____, 2026

* Preliminary, subject to change

** CUSIP numbers shown above have been assigned by a separate organization not affiliated with the Issuer. The Issuer has not selected nor is responsible for selecting the CUSIP numbers assigned to the Bonds nor do they make any representation as to the correctness of such CUSIP numbers on the Bonds or as indicated above.

This Preliminary Official Statement and the information contained herein are subject to completion or amendment. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the Official Statement is delivered in final form. Under no circumstances shall this Preliminary Official Statement constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

No dealer, salesman or any other person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Official Statement, and if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Issuer or the Underwriter. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of any offer to buy any of the securities offered hereby in any state to any persons to whom it is unlawful to make such offer in such state. Except where otherwise indicated, this Official Statement speaks as of the date hereof. Neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale hereunder shall under any circumstances create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Issuer since the date hereof.

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IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OFFERING, THE UNDERWRITER MAY EFFECT TRANSACTIONS WHICH STABILIZE OR MAINTAIN THE MARKET PRICE OF THE BONDS AT A LEVEL ABOVE THAT WHICH MIGHT OTHERWISE PREVAIL IN THE OPEN MARKET. SUCH STABILIZING, IF COMMENCED, MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT ANY TIME.

This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract with the purchasers of the Bonds. The Issuer considers the Official Statement to be "near final" within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities Exchange Commission. Statements contained in this Official Statement which involve estimates, forecasts or matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so described herein, are intended solely as such and are not to be construed as a representation of facts.

References to website addresses presented herein are for informational purposes only and may be in the form of a hyperlink solely for the reader's convenience. Unless specified otherwise, such websites and the information or links contained therein are not incorporated into, and are not part of, this Official Statement for purposes of, and as that term is defined in, Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION BY REASON OF THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 3(a)(2) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED. THE REGISTRATION OR QUALIFICATIONS OF THESE SECURITIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES IN WHICH THESE SECURITIES HAVE BEEN REGISTERED OR QUALIFIED AND THE EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION OR QUALIFICATION IN OTHER STATES SHALL NOT BE REGARDED AS A RECOMMENDATION THEREOF. NEITHER THESE STATES NOR ANY OF THEIR AGENCIES HAVE PASSED UPON THE MERITS OF THE SECURITIES OR THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY MAY BE A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Official Statement, including appendices attached hereto, contains statements which should be considered "forward-looking statements," meaning they refer to possible future events or conditions. Such statements are generally identifiable by the words such as "anticipated," "plan," "expect," "projected," "estimate," "budget," "pro forma," "forecast," "intend," or similar words. THE ACHIEVEMENT OF CERTAIN RESULTS OR OTHER EXPECTATIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INVOLVE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY CAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS, PERFORMANCE OR ACHIEVEMENTS EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED BY SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. THE DISTRICT DOES NOT EXPECT OR INTEND TO UPDATE OR REVISE ANY FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN IF OR WHEN ITS EXPECTATIONS, OR EVENTS, CONDITIONS OR CIRCUMSTANCES ON WHICH SUCH STATEMENTS ARE BASED OCCUR. INCLUDED IN SUCH RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES ARE (i) THOSE RELATING TO THE POSSIBLE INVALIDITY OF THE UNDERLYING ASSUMPTIONS AND ESTIMATES, (ii) POSSIBLE CHANGES OR DEVELOPMENTS IN SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, BUSINESS, INDUSTRY, MARKET, LEGAL AND REGULATORY CIRCUMSTANCES, AND (iii) CONDITIONS AND ACTIONS TAKEN OR OMITTED TO BE TAKEN BY THIRD PARTIES, INCLUDING CUSTOMERS, SUPPLIERS, BUSINESS PARTNERS AND COMPETITORS, AND LEGISLATIVE, JUDICIAL AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES AND OFFICIALS. ASSUMPTIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING INVOLVE JUDGMENTS WITH RESPECT TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, FUTURE ECONOMIC, COMPETITIVE, AND MARKET CONDITIONS AND FUTURE BUSINESS DECISIONS, ALL OF WHICH ARE DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT ACCURATELY. FOR THESE REASONS, THERE CAN BE NO ASSURANCE THAT THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INCLUDED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT WILL PROVE TO BE ACCURATE.

UNDUE RELIANCE SHOULD NOT BE PLACED ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. ALL FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INCLUDED IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT ARE BASED ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE DISTRICT ON THE DATE HEREOF, AND THE DISTRICT ASSUMES NO OBLIGATION TO UPDATE ANY SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS IF OR WHEN ITS EXPECTATIONS OR EVENTS, CONDITIONS OR CIRCUMSTANCES ON WHICH SUCH STATEMENTS ARE BASED OCCUR OR FAIL TO OCCUR, OTHER THAN AS INDICATED UNDER THE CAPTION "CONTINUING DISCLOSURE."

OFFICIAL STATEMENT
FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IOWA
\$27,040,000* GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2026

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

This Official Statement presents certain information relating to the Fort Dodge Community School District, Iowa (the “District” or the “Issuer”), in connection with the sale of the Issuer’s General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2026 (the “Bonds”). Proceeds of the Bonds, when combined with the issuance of remaining voter-approved General Obligation School Bonds in the amount of approx \$15,000,000 and anticipated to be issued in 2027 or 2028, will provide funds to: i) remodel, repair, improve, furnish and equip portions of the existing Senior High building and improve the site; to demolish the current weight room and garages and, on the same site, construct, furnish, and equip a Fine Arts and a support building, including restrooms and a weight room, and improve the site, and ii) pay costs of issuance for the Bonds (the “Project”). See “**SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS**” herein.

This Preliminary Official Statement is deemed to be a final official statement within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, except for the omission of certain pricing and other information which is to be made available through a final Official Statement.

This Introductory Statement is only a brief description of the Bonds and certain other matters. Such description is qualified by reference to the entire Official Statement and the documents summarized or described herein. This Official Statement should be reviewed in its entirety.

The Bonds are general obligations of the Issuer, payable from and secured by a continuing annual ad-valorem tax levied against the taxable, real property within the boundaries of the Issuer. See “**THE BONDS – Source of Security for the Bonds**” herein.

All statements made in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or of estimates, whether or not so expressly stated, are set forth as such and not as representations of fact, and no representation is made that any of the estimates will be realized.

THE BONDS

General

The Bonds are dated as of the date of delivery and will bear interest at the rates to be set forth on the cover page herein, interest payable on May 1 and November 1 in each year, beginning on November 1, 2026, calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and twelve 30-day months. Interest shall be payable by check or draft of the Paying Agent mailed to the persons who were registered owners thereof as of the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the Interest Payment Date, to the addresses appearing on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent or to such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by a registered owner.

Authorization for the Issuance

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Code of Iowa, 2025, as amended, Chapter 296, approval of the District voters for the Project at an election held on November 4, 2025, and a resolution of the Board of Directors expected to be adopted by the Issuer on May 11, 2026 (the “Resolution” or the “Bond Resolution”).

Book Entry Only System

The following information concerning The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, New York and DTC’s book-entry system has been obtained from sources the Issuer believes to be reliable. However, the Issuer takes no responsibility as to the accuracy or completeness thereof and neither the Indirect Participants nor the Beneficial Owners should rely on the following information with respect to such matters but should instead confirm the same with DTC or the Direct Participants, as the case may be. There can be no assurance that DTC will abide by its procedures or that such procedures will not be changed from time to time.

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

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DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues and money market instrument (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC.

DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participations include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC").

DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has a Standard & Poor's rating of: AA+. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

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

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Securities deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Securities with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other nominee do not affect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Securities; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Securities are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

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

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Securities within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participants in such issue to be redeemed.

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

Redemption proceeds, distributions and dividend payments on the Securities will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts, upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from Issuer or Agent on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered

in “street name,” and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC (nor its nominee), Agent, or Issuer, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of Issuer or Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

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

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

The Issuer cannot and does not give any assurances that DTC, the Direct Participants or the Indirect Participants will distribute to the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds (i) payments of principal of or interest and premium, if any, on the Bonds, (ii) certificates representing an ownership interest or other confirmation of beneficial ownership interest in the Bonds, or (iii) redemption or other notices sent to DTC or Cede & Co., its nominee, as the Registered Owner of the Bonds, or that they will do so on a timely basis, or that DTC, Direct Participants or Indirect Participants will serve and act in the manner described in this Official Statement. The current “Rules” applicable to DTC are on file with the Securities Exchange Commission, and the current “Procedures” of DTC to be followed in dealing with Direct Participants are on file with DTC.

Neither the Issuer nor the Paying Agent will have any responsibility or obligation to any Direct Participant, Indirect Participant or any Beneficial Owner or any other person with respect to: (1) the accuracy of any records maintained by DTC or any Direct Participant or Indirect Participant; (2) the payment by DTC or any Direct Participant or Indirect Participant of any amount due to any Beneficial Owner in respect of the principal or redemption price of or interest on the Bonds; (3) the delivery by DTC or any Direct Participant or Indirect Participant of any notice to any Beneficial Owner which is required or permitted under the terms of the Indenture to be given to owners of Bonds; (4) the selection of the Beneficial Owners to receive payment in the event of any partial redemption of the Bonds; or (5) any consent given or other action taken by DTC as a Bondholder.

Transfer and Exchange

In the event that the Book Entry System is discontinued, any Bond may, in accordance with its terms, be transferred by the person in whose name it is registered, in person or by his duly authorized attorney, upon surrender of such Bond for cancellation at the principal corporate office of the Registrar accompanied by delivery of a duly executed written instrument of transfer in a form approved by the Registrar. Whenever any Bond or Bonds shall be surrendered for transfer, the Registrar shall execute and deliver a new Bond or Bonds of the same maturity, interest rate, and aggregate principal amount.

Bonds may be exchanged at the principal corporate office of the Registrar for a like aggregate principal amount of Bonds or other authorized denominations of the same maturity and interest rate; provided, however, that the Registrar is not required to transfer or exchange any Bonds which have been selected for prepayment and is not required to transfer or exchange any Bonds during the period beginning 15 days prior to the selection of Bonds for prepayment and ending the date notice of prepayment is mailed. The Registrar may require the payment by the Bond Owner requesting such exchange of any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange. All Bonds surrendered pursuant to the provisions of this and the preceding paragraph shall be canceled by the Registrar and shall not be redelivered.

Prepayment

Optional Prepayment: The Bonds maturing after May 1, 2032, may be called for redemption by the Issuer and paid before maturity on said date or any date thereafter, from any funds regardless of source, in whole or from time to time in part, in any order of maturity and within an annual maturity by lot. The terms of redemption shall be par, plus accrued interest to date of call.

Notice of Prepayment. Prior to the redemption of any Bonds under the provisions of the Bond Resolution, the Registrar shall give written notice not less than thirty (30) days prior to the redemption date to each registered owner thereof. Written notice shall be effective upon the date of transmission to the owner of record of the Bond.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption. The Bonds maturing on _____ are subject to mandatory redemption (by lot, as selected by the Registrar) on ____ 1 in each of the years _____ through _____ at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the redemption date in the following principal amounts:

_____ Term Bond
Mandatory Sinking Fund Date Principal Amount
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(maturity)

Selection of Bonds for Redemption Bonds subject for redemption will be selected in such order of maturity as the Issuer may direct. If less than all of the Bonds of a single maturity are to be redeemed, the Issuer will notify DTC of the particular amount of such maturity to be redeemed prior to maturity. DTC will determine by lot the amount of each Participant's interest in such maturity to be redeemed and each Participant will then select by lot the beneficial ownership interests in such maturity to be redeemed. All prepayments shall be at a price of par plus accrued interest.

Any notice of redemption may contain a statement that the redemption is conditioned upon the receipt by the Paying Agent of funds on or before the date fixed for redemption sufficient to pay the redemption price of the Bonds so called for redemption, and that if funds are not available, such redemption shall be cancelled by written notice to the owners of the Bonds called for redemption in the same manner as the original redemption notice was sent.

Source of Security for the Bonds

The Bonds are general obligations of the Issuer. Per Iowa Code section 76.2, prior to issuing general obligation debt the governing authority of an Iowa political subdivision shall, by resolution, provide for the assessment of an annual levy upon all the taxable property in the political subdivision sufficient to pay the interest and principal of the bonds within a period named not exceeding twenty years. A certified copy of this resolution must be filed with the county auditor or the auditors of the counties in which the political subdivision is located; and the filing shall make it a duty of the auditors to enter annually this levy for collection from the taxable property within the boundaries of the political subdivision until funds are realized to pay the bonds in full. Upon issuance of the Bonds, the Issuer will levy taxes for the years and in amounts sufficient to provide 100% of annual principal and interest due on the Bonds. If, however, the amount credited to the debt service fund for payment of the Bonds is insufficient to pay principal and interest, whether from transfers or from original levies, the Issuer is required to levy ad valorem taxes upon all taxable property in the Issuer without limit as to rate or amount sufficient to pay the debt service deficiency.

Nothing in the Bond Resolution prohibits or limits the ability of the Issuer to use legally available moneys other than the proceeds of the general ad valorem property taxes levied, as described in the preceding paragraph, to pay all or any portion of the principal of or interest on the Bonds. If and to the extent such other legally available moneys are used to pay the principal of or interest on the Bonds, the Issuer may, but shall not be required to, (a) reduce the amount of taxes levied for such purpose, as described in the preceding paragraph; or (b) use proceeds of taxes levied, as described in the preceding paragraph, to reimburse the fund or account from which such other legally available moneys are withdrawn for the amount withdrawn from such fund or account to pay the principal of or interest on Bonds.

The Bond Resolution does not restrict the Issuer's ability to issue or incur additional general obligation debt, although issuance of additional general obligation debt is subject to the same constitutional and statutory limitations that apply to the issuance of the Bonds. For a further description of the Issuer's outstanding general obligation debt upon issuance of the Bonds and the annual debt service on the Bonds, see "Direct Debt" included in "APPENDIX A" to this Official Statement. For a description of certain constitutional and statutory limits on the issuance of general obligation debt, see "Debt Limit" included in "APPENDIX A" to this Official Statement.

BONDHOLDERS' RISKS

An investment in the Bonds involves an element of risk. In order to identify risk factors and make an informed investment decision, potential investors should be thoroughly familiar with this entire Official Statement (including the appendices hereto) in order to make a judgment as to whether the Bonds are an appropriate investment. This information is based on current information available to the Issuer that may be incomplete and unknown. This information was derived using certain assumptions and methodologies, and includes unaudited financial information and projections. Some of this information is forward-looking and subject to change.

Tax Levy Procedures

The Bonds are general obligations of the Issuer, payable from and secured by a continuing ad-valorem tax levied against all of the real property valuation within the Issuer. As part of the budgetary process of the Issuer each fiscal year the Issuer will have an obligation to request a debt service levy to be applied against all of the property within the Issuer. A failure on the part of the Issuer to make a timely levy request or a levy request by the Issuer that is inaccurate or is insufficient to make full payments of the debt service on the Bonds for a particular fiscal year may cause Bondholders to experience delay in the receipt of distributions of principal of and/or interest on the Bonds. Consequently, the remedies of the owners of the Bonds (consisting primarily of an

action in the nature of mandamus requiring the Issuer and certain other public officials to perform the terms of the Bond Resolution) may have to be enforced from year to year.

Changes in Property Taxation

The Bonds are general obligations of the Issuer secured by an unlimited ad valorem property tax as described in the “Source of Security for the Bonds” herein.

From time to time the Iowa General Assembly has altered the method of property taxation and could do so again. Such alterations could affect the Issuer’s financial condition and/or the property tax revenues available to pay the Bonds. Historically, the Iowa General Assembly has applied changes in property taxation structure on a prospective basis; however, there is no assurance that future changes in property taxation structure by the Iowa General Assembly will not be retroactive. It is impossible to predict the outcome of future property tax changes by the Iowa General Assembly or their potential impact on the Issuer’s financial position. As noted in “THE BONDS - Source of Security of the Bonds,” under Iowa Code section 76.2 the Issuer has by resolution provided for the assessment of an annual levy upon all the taxable property in the political subdivision sufficient to pay the interest and principal of the bonds within a period named not exceeding twenty years.

Matters Relating to Enforceability of Agreements

There is no Bond trustee or similar person to monitor or enforce the provisions of the Bond Resolution. The owners of the Bonds should, therefore, be prepared to enforce such provisions themselves if the need to do so arises. In the event of a default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bond, there is no provision for acceleration of maturity of the principal of the Bonds. Consequently, the remedies of the owners of the Bonds (consisting primarily of an action in the nature of mandamus requiring the District and certain other public officials to perform the terms of the resolution for the Bonds) may have to be enforced from year to year. Holders of the Bonds shall have and possess all the rights of action and remedies afforded by the common law, the Constitution and statutes of the State of Iowa and of the United States of America for the enforcement of payment of the Bond, including, but not limited to, the right to a proceeding in law or in equity by suit, action or mandamus to enforce and compel performance of the duties required by Iowa law and the Bond Resolution.

The practical realization of any rights upon any default will depend upon the exercise of various remedies specified in the Bond Resolution. The remedies available to the owners of the Bonds upon an event of default under the Bond Resolution, in certain respects, may require judicial action, which is often subject to discretion and delay. Under existing law, including specifically the federal bankruptcy code, certain of the remedies specified in the Bond Resolution may not be readily available or may be limited. A court may decide not to order the specific performance of the covenants contained in these documents. The legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds will be qualified as to the enforceability of the various legal instruments by limitations imposed by general principles of equity and public policy and by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

No representation is made, and no assurance is given, that the enforcement of any remedies will result in sufficient funds to pay all amounts due under the Bond Resolution, including principal of and interest on the Bonds.

Secondary Market

There can be no guarantee that there will be a secondary market for the Bonds or, if a secondary market exists, that such Bonds can be sold for any particular price. Occasionally, because of general market conditions or because of adverse history of economic prospects connected with a particular issue, and secondary marketing practices in connection with a particular Bond or Bonds issue are suspended or terminated. Additionally, prices of bond or note issues for which a market is being made will depend upon then prevailing circumstances. Such prices could be substantially different from the original purchase price of the Bonds.

EACH PROSPECTIVE PURCHASER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSESSING THE MERITS AND RISKS OF AN INVESTMENT IN THE BONDS AND MUST BE ABLE TO BEAR THE ECONOMIC RISK OF SUCH INVESTMENT. THE SECONDARY MARKET FOR THE BONDS, IF ANY, COULD BE LIMITED.

Pension

The Issuer contributes to the Iowa Public Employees’ Retirement System (“IPERS”), which is a state-wide multiple-employer cost-sharing defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. All full-time employees of the Issuer are required to participate in IPERS. IPERS plan members are required to contribute a percentage of their annual salary, in addition to the Issuer being required to make annual contributions to IPERS. Contribution amounts are set by State statute. The IPERS Annual

Comprehensive Financial Report for its fiscal year ended June 30, 2025 (the “IPERS ACFR”), indicates that as of June 30, 2025, the date of the most recent actuarial valuation for IPERS, the funded ratio of IPERS was 92.17%, and the unfunded actuarial liability was approximately \$3.841 billion. The IPERS ACFR identifies the IPERS Net Pension Liability at June 30, 2025, at approximately \$2.323 billion, while its net pension liability at June 30, 2024, was approximately \$3.641 billion. The IPERS ACFR is available on the IPERS website, or by contacting IPERS at 7401 Register Drive, Des Moines, IA 50321. See “**APPENDIX D – AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ISSUER**” for additional information on IPERS.

Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel, the Municipal Advisor, counsel to the Municipal Advisor, and the Issuer undertake no responsibility for and make no representations as to the accuracy or completeness of the information available from the IPERS discussed above or included on the IPERS website, including, but not limited to, updates of such information on the State Auditor’s website or links to other Internet sites accessed through the IPERS website.

In fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the Issuer’s IPERS contribution totaled approximately \$2,574,365. The Issuer is current in its obligations to IPERS. Pursuant to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, IPERS has allocated the net pension liability among its members, with the Issuer’s identified portion at June 30, 2025, at approximately \$10,424,754. While the Issuer’s contributions to IPERS are controlled by state law, there can be no assurance the Issuer will not be required by changes in State law to increase its contribution requirement in the future, which may impact the finances of the Issuer. See “**APPENDIX D – AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ISSUER**” for additional information on pension and liabilities of the Issuer.

Rating Loss

S&P’s Global Ratings (the “Rating Agency”) has assigned a rating of “A+” to the Bonds. Generally, a rating agency bases its rating on the information and materials furnished to it and on investigations, studies and assumptions of its own. There is no assurance that the rating will continue for any given period of time, or that such rating will not be revised, suspended or withdrawn, if, in the judgment of the Rating Agency, circumstances so warrant. A revision, suspension or withdrawal of a rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

Additional regulation of rating agencies could materially alter the methodology, rating levels, and types of ratings available, for example, and these changes, if ever, could materially affect the market value of the Bonds.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Official Statement contains statements relating to future results that are “forward-looking statements” as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. When used in this Official Statement, the words “estimate,” “forecast,” “intend,” “expect” and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement is subject to uncertainty. Accordingly, such statements are subject to risks that could cause actual results to differ, possibly materially, from those contemplated in such forward-looking statements. Inevitably, some assumptions used to develop forward-looking statements will not be realized or unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Therefore, investors should be aware that there are likely to be differences between forward looking statements and the actual results. These differences could be material and could impact the availability of funds of the Issuer to pay debt service when due on the Bonds.

Legislative Change Related to School Choice

In 2023 the State of Iowa adopted Legislation (“HF68”) that establishes a general fund appropriation for an Education Savings Account Fund (the “Fund”) under the control of the Iowa Department of Education (the “Department of Education”). The Fund must be used to establish individual accounts for participating pupils and to make qualified education savings account payments on behalf of parents and guardians, including payment for nonpublic school tuition, textbooks, software, fees, curriculum materials, and other similar expenses. As of July 1, 2025, all students attending a nonpublic school became eligible for participation beginning fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

The annual amount per account in the Fund is determined by the State Cost Per Pupil (SCPP) for that fiscal year and changes each year based on the State Percent of Growth (SPG). For fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, the SCPP is \$7,988, which amount will be deposited into the Fund, instead of being sent to the Issuer, for each qualifying student within the Issuer attending a nonpublic school. HF68 provides that a District is funded in an amount of \$1,176 per student for resident pupils who attend a nonpublic school. According to the Department of Education, there were 556 students who reside within the boundaries of the Issuer but attended non-public schools for the 2022-23 school year; 602 students for the 2023-24 school year; 677 students for the 2024-25 school year; and 729 for the 2025-26 school year. It is unknown how many additional students, if any, will attend non-public schools in future years, as HF68 is implemented. If a significant number of eligible students in the Issuer transition to non-public schools, it could have an adverse impact on the Issuer’s finances given the reduction in per student funding the Issuer would otherwise receive. The Bonds are general obligations of the Issuer. See “**THE BONDS – Source of Security for**

the Bonds” herein.

Pending Federal Tax Legislation

From time to time, there are Presidential proposals, proposals of various federal committees, and legislative proposals are pending in Congress that could, if enacted, alter or amend one or more of the federal tax matters described herein in certain respects or would adversely affect the market value of the Bonds or otherwise prevent holders of the Bonds from realizing the full benefit of the tax exemption of interest on the Bonds. Further such proposals may impact the marketability or market value of the Bonds simply by being proposed. It cannot be predicted whether or in what forms any of such proposals, either pending or that may be introduced, may be enacted and there can be no assurance that such proposals will not apply to the Bonds. In addition, regulatory actions are from time to time announced or proposed, and litigation threatened or commenced, which if implemented or concluded in a particular manner, could adversely affect the market value, marketability or tax status of the Bonds. It cannot be predicted whether any such regulatory action will be implemented, how any particular litigation or judicial action will be resolved, or whether the Bonds would be impacted thereby.

DTC-Beneficial Owners

Beneficial Owners of the Bonds may experience some delay in the receipt of distributions of principal of and interest on the Bonds since such distributions will be forwarded by the Paying Agent to DTC and DTC will credit such distributions to the accounts of the Participants which will thereafter credit them to the accounts of the Beneficial Owner either directly or indirectly through indirect Participants. Neither the Issuer nor the Paying Agent will have any responsibility or obligation to assure that any such notice or payment is forwarded by DTC to any Participants or by any Participant to any Beneficial Owner.

In addition, since transactions in the Bonds can be effected only through DTC Participants, indirect participants and certain banks, the ability of a Beneficial Owner to pledge the Bonds to persons or entities that do not participate in the DTC system, or otherwise to take actions in respect of such Bonds, may be limited due to lack of a physical certificate. Beneficial Owners will be permitted to exercise the rights of registered Owners only indirectly through DTC and the Participants. See “**THE BONDS—Book-Entry Only System.**”

Risks as Employer

The Issuer is a major employer, combining a complex mix of full-time faculty, part-time faculty, technical and clerical support staff and other types of workers in a single operation. As with all large employers, the Issuer bears a wide variety of risks in connection with its employees. These risks include discrimination claims, personal tort actions, work-related injuries, exposure to hazardous materials, interpersonal torts (such as between employees or between employees and students) and other risks that may flow from the relationships between employer and employee or between students and employees. Certain of these risks are not covered by insurance, and certain of them cannot be anticipated or prevented in advance.

Cybersecurity

The Issuer, like many other public and private entities, relies on a large and complex technology environment to conduct its operations. As such, it may face multiple cybersecurity threats including, but not limited to, hacking, viruses, malware and other attacks on computers or other sensitive digital systems and networks. There can be no assurances that any security and operational control measures implemented by the Issuer will be completely successful to guard against and prevent cyber threats and attacks. Failure to properly maintain functionality, control, security, and integrity of the Issuer’s information systems could impact business operations and/or digital networks and systems and the costs of remedying any such damage could be significant. Along with significant liability claims or regulatory penalties, any security breach could have a material adverse impact on the Issuer’s operations and financial condition.

The Issuer maintains cyber-insurance policies. The Issuer cannot predict whether these policies would be sufficient in the event of a cyber-incident.

Debt Payment History

The Issuer knows of no instance in which it has intentionally defaulted in the payment of principal and interest on any of its debt.

Redemption Prior to Maturity/Loss of Premium from Redemption

In considering whether the Bonds might be redeemed prior to maturity, Bondholders should consider the information included in this Official Statement under the heading "THE BONDS." Furthermore, the Bonds are subject to optional and mandatory redemption as set forth herein. See "THE BONDS" herein. Any person who purchases the Bonds at a price in excess of their

principal amount or who holds such Bonds trading at a price in excess of par should consider the fact that the Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the redemption prices described herein in the event such Bonds are redeemed prior to maturity. See "THE BONDS - Prepayment" herein.

Clean up Costs and Liens under Environmental Statutes

The Issuer is not aware of any enforcement actions currently in process with respect to any releases of pollutants or contaminants at the Project sites. However, there can be no assurance that an enforcement action or actions will not be instituted under such statutes at future date. In the event such enforcement actions were initiated, the Issuer could be liable for the costs of removing or otherwise treating pollutants or contaminants located at the Project sites. In addition, under applicable environmental statutes, in the event an enforcement action is initiated, a lien superior to any Bondholders' lien, if any, could attach to the Project, which may adversely affect the Bondholders' rights.

General Liability Claims

In recent years, the number of general liability suits and the dollar amounts of damage awards have increased nationwide, resulting in substantial increases in insurance premiums. Litigation may also arise against the Issuer from its business activities, such as its status as an employer. While the Issuer maintains general liability insurance coverage, the Issuer is unable to predict the availability or cost of such insurance in the future. In addition, it is possible that certain types of liability awards may not be covered by insurance as in effect at relevant times. Any negative impact resulting from such awards may impact the Issuer's ability to operate.

Project Completion; Risks of Construction

A delay in completion of the Project may arise from any number of other causes, including but not limited to, adverse weather conditions, unavailability of subcontractors, and negligence on the part of subcontractors, labor disputes, or unanticipated costs of construction, equipping or renovation. Any of these events or occurrences, separately or in combination, could have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's ability to complete the Project, or to complete it as planned and on schedule. The Issuer believes that the proceeds of the Bonds plus the issuance of the remainder of the General Obligation School Bonds authorized by the voters plus the issuance of School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, will be sufficient to complete the Project; however, the cost of construction of the Project may be affected by factors beyond the control of the Issuer, including strikes, material shortages, adverse weather conditions, trade tariffs, subcontractor defaults, delays, and unknown conditions.

Damage or Destruction to District's Facilities

Although the District maintains certain kinds of insurance, there can be no assurance that the District will not suffer uninsured losses in the event of damage to or destruction of the District's facilities, including the Project, due to fire or other calamity or in the event of other unforeseen circumstances

Financial Condition of the Issuer from time to time

No representation is made as to the future financial condition of the Issuer. Certain risks discussed herein could adversely affect the financial condition and/or operations of the Issuer in the future. However, the Bonds are secured by an unlimited ad valorem property tax as described more fully in the "THE BONDS – Source of Security for the Bonds" herein.

Continuing Disclosure

A failure by the Issuer to comply with the continuing disclosure obligations (see "Continuing Disclosure" herein) will not constitute an event of default on the Bonds. Any such failure must be disclosed in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Bonds and their market price.

Suitability of Investment

The interest rate borne by the Bonds is intended to compensate the investor for assuming the risk of investing in the Bonds. Each prospective investor should carefully examine this Official Statement and its own financial condition to make a judgement as to its ability to bear the economic risk of such and investment, and whether or not the bonds are an appropriate investment for such investor.

Bankruptcy and Insolvency

The rights and remedies provided in the Resolution may be limited by and are subject to the provisions of federal bankruptcy laws, to other laws or equitable principles that may affect the enforcement of creditor's rights, to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases and to limitations in legal remedies against exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases and to limitations on legal remedies against municipal corporations in the State of Iowa. The various opinions of counsel to be delivered with respect to the Bonds and the Resolution, including the opinion of Bond Counsel, will be similarly qualified. If the Issuer were to file a petition under chapter nine of the federal bankruptcy code, the owners of the Bonds could be prohibited from taking any steps to enforce their rights under the Resolution. In the event the Issuer fails to comply with its covenants under the Resolution or fails to make payments on the Bonds, there can be no assurance of the availability of remedies adequate to protect the interests of the holders of the Bonds.

Under sections 76.16 and 76.16A of the Code of Iowa, as amended, a city, county, or other political subdivision may become a debtor under chapter nine of the federal bankruptcy code, if it is rendered insolvent, as defined in 11 U.S.C. §101(32)(c), as a result of a debt involuntarily incurred. As used therein, "debt" means an obligation to pay money, other than pursuant to a valid and binding collective bargaining agreement or previously authorized bond issue, as to which the governing body of the city, county, or other political subdivision has made a specific finding set forth in a duly adopted resolution of each of the following: (1) that all or a portion of such obligation will not be paid from available insurance proceeds and must be paid from an increase in general tax levy; (2) that such increase in the general tax levy will result in a severe, adverse impact on the ability of the city, county, or political subdivision to exercise the powers granted to it under applicable law, including without limitation providing necessary services and promoting economic development; (3) that as a result of such obligation, the city, county, or other political subdivision is unable to pay its debts as they become due; and (4) that the debt is not an obligation to pay money to a city, county, entity organized pursuant to chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa, or other political subdivision.

Tax Matters, No Bank Qualification, and Loss of Tax Exemption

As discussed under the heading "TAX EXEMPTION AND TAX MATTERS" herein, the interest on the Bonds could become includable in gross income for purposes of federal income taxation retroactive to the date of delivery of the Bonds, as a result of acts or omissions of the Issuer in violation of its covenants in the Bond Resolution. Should such an event of taxability occur, the Bonds would not be subject to a special prepayment and would remain outstanding until maturity or until prepaid under the prepayment provisions contained in the Bonds, and there is no provision for an adjustment of the interest rate on the Bonds.

The Issuer will NOT designate the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" under the exception provided in Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

It is possible that legislation will be proposed or introduced that could result in changes in the way that tax exemption is calculated, or whether interest on certain securities are exempt from taxation at all. Prospective purchasers should consult with their own tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed federal income tax legislation. The likelihood of any pending or proposed federal income tax legislation being enacted or whether the proposed terms will be altered or removed during the legislative process cannot be reliably predicted.

It is also possible that actions of the Issuer after the closing of the Bonds will alter the tax status of the Bonds, and, in the extreme, remove the tax-exempt status from the Bonds. In that instance, the Bonds are not subject to mandatory prepayment, and the interest rate on the Bonds does not increase or otherwise reset. A determination of taxability on the Bonds, after closing of the Bonds, could materially adversely affect the value and marketability of the Bonds.

Factors Beyond Issuer's Control

Economic and other factors beyond the Issuer's control, such as economic recession, deflation of property values, or financial difficulty or bankruptcy by one or more major property taxpayers, or the complete or partial destruction of taxable property caused by, among other eventualities, earthquake, flood, fire or other natural disaster, could cause a reduction in the assessed value within the corporate boundaries of the Issuer. The State of Iowa, including the Issuer, is susceptible to tornados, flooding and extreme weather wherein winds and flooding have from time to time caused significant damage, which may have an adverse impact on the Issuer's financial position.

Changing priorities in federal policies can result in reductions to the level or priority of federal funding for a variety of federally funded programs, including education related programs. Such changes could have an adverse impact on the Issuer's operations or financial position.

Suitability of Investment

The interest rate borne by the Bonds is intended to compensate the investor for assuming the risk of investing in the Bonds. Each prospective investor should carefully examine this Official Statement and its own financial condition to make a judgment as to its ability to bear the economic risk of such an investment, and whether or not the Bonds are an appropriate investment for such investor.

Risk of Audit

The Internal Revenue Service has an ongoing program to audit tax-exempt obligations to determine the legitimacy of the tax status of such obligations. No assurance can be given as to whether the Internal Revenue Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. Public awareness of any audit could adversely affect the market value and liquidity of the Bonds during the pendency of the audit, regardless of the ultimate outcome of the audit.

Summary

The foregoing is intended only as a summary of certain risk factors attendant to an investment in the Bonds. In order for potential investors to identify risk factors and make an informed investment decision, potential investors should become thoroughly familiar with this entire Official Statement and the Appendices hereto.

LITIGATION

The District encounters litigation occasionally, as a course of business, however, no litigation currently exists that is not believed to be covered by current insurance carriers and no litigation has been proposed that questions the validity of the Bonds.

ACCOUNTANT

The accrual-basis financial statements of the Issuer included as APPENDIX D to this Official Statement have been examined by TrustPoint, L.L.P. to the extent and for the periods indicated in their report thereon. Such financial statements have been included herein without permission of said CPA, and said CPA expresses no opinion with respect to the Bonds or the Official Statement.

UNDERWRITING

The Bonds are being purchased, subject to certain conditions, by ____ (the "Underwriter"). The Underwriter has agreed, subject to certain conditions, to purchase all, but not less than all, of the Bonds at an aggregate purchase price of \$ _____ plus accrued interest to the Closing Date.

The Underwriter may offer and sell the Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing the Bonds into unit investment trusts, certain of which may be sponsored or managed by the Underwriter) at prices lower than the initial public offering prices stated on the cover page. The initial public offering prices of the Bonds may be changed, from time to time, by the Underwriter.

The Underwriter intends to engage in secondary market trading of the Bonds subject to applicable securities laws. The Underwriter is not obligated, however, to repurchase any of the Bonds at the request of the holder thereof.

THE PROJECT

Proceeds of the Bonds, when combined with the remaining voter approved General Obligation School Bonds, yet to be issued in 2027 or 2028 to provide funds to: i) remodel, repair, improve, furnish and equip portions of the existing Senior High building and improve the site; to demolish the current weight room and garages and, on the same site, construct, furnish, and equip a Fine Arts and a support building, including restrooms and a weight room, and improve the site, and ii) pay costs of issuance for the Bonds.

SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS *

Sources of Funds		
	Bond Proceeds	\$
	Reoffering Premium	
Total Sources of Funds		\$
Uses of Funds		
	Deposit to Project fund	\$
	Costs of Issuance	
	Underwriter’s Discount	
Total Uses of Funds		\$

* Preliminary, subject to change

Future Debt

Voters of the district approved a total par amount of General Obligation School Bonds of \$42,040,000. The Series 2026 bonds are the initial issuance of that authority, and the Issuer expects to issue the balance of the bonds – approx \$15,000,000 – in 2027 or 2028. There are no current plans to issue additional debt outside of the bonds referenced here for this project.

TAX EXEMPTION AND RELATED TAX MATTERS

Tax Exemption

Federal tax law contains a number of requirements and restrictions that apply to the Bonds, including investment restrictions, periodic payments of arbitrage profits to the United States, requirements regarding the proper use of Bond proceeds and facilities financed with Bond proceeds, and certain other matters. The Issuer has covenanted to comply with all requirements that must be satisfied in order for the interest on the Bonds to be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with certain of such covenants could cause interest on the Bonds to become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds.

Subject to the Issuer’s compliance with the above-referenced covenants, under present law, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, the interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and interest on the Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals; however, such interest may be taken into account in computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations.

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should be aware that ownership of the Bonds may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to certain taxpayers, including, without limitation, corporations subject to the branch profits tax, financial institutions, certain insurance companies, certain S corporations, individual recipients of Social Security or Railroad Retirement benefits and taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred (or continued) indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations. Bond Counsel will not express any opinion as to such collateral tax consequences. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their tax advisors as to collateral federal income tax consequences.

The interest on the Bonds is not exempt from present Iowa income taxes. Ownership of the Bonds may result in other state and local tax consequences to certain taxpayers. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any such collateral consequences arising with respect to the Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their tax advisors regarding the applicability of any such state and local taxes.

NOT Qualified Tax Exemption Obligations

The Bonds will NOT be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" under the exception provided in Section 265(b)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").

Discount and Premium Bonds

The initial public offering price of certain Bonds may be less than the amount payable on such Bonds at maturity (“Discount Bonds”). Owners of Discount Bonds should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the determination of accrued original issue discount on Discount Bonds for income tax purposes and with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning and disposing of Discount Bonds. It is possible that, under applicable provisions governing determination of state and local income taxes, accrued interest on Discount Bonds may be deemed to be received in the year of accrual even though there will not be a corresponding cash payment.

The initial public offering price of certain Bonds may be greater than the amount of such Bonds at maturity ("Premium Bonds"). Purchasers of the Premium Bonds should consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the determination of amortizable premium on Premium Bonds for income tax purposes and with respect to the state and local tax consequences of owning and disposing of Premium Bonds.

Other Tax Advice

In addition to the income tax consequences described above, potential investors should consider the additional tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership, and disposition of the Bonds. For instance, state income tax law may differ substantially from state to state, and the foregoing is not intended to describe any aspect of the income tax laws of any state. Therefore, potential investors should consult their own tax advisors with respect to federal tax issues and with respect to the various state tax consequences of an investment in Bonds.

Audits

The Internal Revenue Service (the "Service") has an ongoing program of auditing tax-exempt obligations to determine whether, in the view of the Service, interest on such tax-exempt obligations is includable in the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes. To the best of the Issuer's knowledge, no obligations of the Issuer are currently under examination by the Service. It cannot be predicted whether or not the Service will commence an audit of the Bonds. If an audit is commenced, under current procedures the Service may treat the Issuer as a taxpayer and the Bondholders may have no right to participate in such procedure. The commencement of an audit could adversely affect the market value and liquidity of the Bonds until the audit is concluded, regardless of the ultimate outcome.

Reporting and Withholding

Payments of interest on, and proceeds of the sale, redemption or maturity of, tax-exempt obligations, including the Bonds, are in certain cases required to be reported to the Service. Additionally, backup withholding may apply to any such payments to any Bond owner who fails to provide an accurate Form W-9 Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification, or a substantially identical form, or to any Bond owner who is notified by the Service of a failure to report any interest or dividends required to be shown on federal income tax returns. The reporting and backup withholding requirements do not affect the excludability of such interest from gross income for federal tax purposes.

Tax Legislation

Legislation affecting tax-exempt obligations is regularly considered by the United States Congress and may be considered by the Iowa legislature. Court proceedings may also be filed, the outcome of which could modify the tax treatment. There can be no assurance that legislation enacted or proposed, or actions by a court, after the date of issuance of the Bonds will not have an adverse effect on the tax status of interest or other income on the Bonds or the market value or marketability of the Bonds. These adverse effects could result, for example, from changes to federal or state income tax rates, changes in the structure of federal or state income taxes (including replacement with another type of tax), or repeal (or reduction in the benefit) of the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal or state income tax purposes for all or certain taxpayers.

Current and future legislative proposals, including some that carry retroactive effective dates, if enacted into law, court decisions, or clarification of the Code may cause interest on the Bonds to be subject, directly or indirectly, to federal income taxation, or otherwise prevent owners of the Bonds from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed tax legislation, as to which Bond Counsel expresses no opinion other than as set forth in its legal opinion.

The Opinion

The FORM OF LEGAL OPINION, in substantially the form set out in APPENDIX B to this Preliminary Official Statement, will be delivered at closing.

Bond Counsel's opinion is not a guarantee of a result, or of the transaction on which the opinion is rendered, or of the future performance of parties to the transaction, but represents its legal judgment based upon its review of existing statutes, regulations, published rulings and court decisions and the representations and covenants of the Issuer described in this section. No ruling has been sought from the Service with respect to the matters addressed in the opinion of Bond Counsel and Bond Counsel's opinion is not binding on the Service, nor does the rendering of the opinion guarantee the outcome of any legal dispute that may arise out of the transaction. Bond Counsel assumes no obligation to update its opinion after the issue date to reflect any further action, fact or circumstance, or change in law or interpretation, or otherwise.

Enforcement

There is no bond trustee or similar person to monitor or enforce the terms of the resolution for issuance of the Bonds. In the event of a default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, there is no provision for acceleration of maturity of the principal of the Bonds. Consequently, the remedies of the owners of the Bonds (consisting primarily of an action in the nature of mandamus requiring the Issuer and certain other public officials to perform the terms of the resolution for the Bonds) may

have to be enforced from year to year.

The owners of the Bonds cannot foreclose on property within the boundaries of the Issuer or sell such property in order to pay the debt service on the Bonds. In addition, the enforceability of the rights and remedies of owners of the Bonds may be subject to limitation as set forth in Bond Counsel's opinion. The opinion will state, in part, that the obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Bonds may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights heretofore or hereafter enacted to the extent constitutionally applicable, to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases and to the exercise by the State and its governmental bodies of the police power inherent in the sovereignty of the State and to the exercise by the United States of America of the powers delegated to it by the Constitution of the United States of America.

ALL POTENTIAL PURCHASERS OF THE BONDS SHOULD CONSULT WITH THEIR TAX ADVISORS WITH RESPECT TO FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL TAX CONSEQUENCES OF OWNERSHIP OF THE BONDS (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE LISTED ABOVE).

LEGAL MATTERS

Legal matters incident to the authorization, issuance and sale of the Bonds and with regard to the tax-exempt status of the interest thereon (see “**TAX EXEMPTION AND RELATED MATTERS**” herein) are subject to the approving legal opinion of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Des Moines, Iowa, Bond Counsel, a form of which is attached hereto as “**APPENDIX B – FORM OF BOND COUNSEL OPINION.**” Signed copies of the opinion, dated and premised on law in effect as of the date of original delivery of the Bonds, will be delivered to the Underwriter at the time of such original delivery. The Bonds are offered subject to prior sale and to the approval of legality of the Bonds by Bond Counsel. Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. is also serving as Disclosure Counsel for the Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Certain matters will be passed upon for the Municipal Advisor by Dentons Davis Brown, Des Moines, Iowa.

Bond Counsel has not examined nor attempted to examine or verify any of the financial or statistical statements, or data contained in this Official Statement and will express no opinion with respect thereto. Bond Counsel has not participated in the preparation of this Official Statement other than to review or prepare information describing the terms of the Bonds, Iowa and Federal law pertinent to the validity of the Bonds, and the tax status of interest on the Bonds which can be found generally under the sections “**THE BONDS**”, “**THE BONDS - Source of Security for the Bonds**”, and “**TAX EXEMPTION AND RELATED TAX MATTERS**”. Additionally, Bond Counsel has provided its form of bond counsel opinion and Issuer’s continuing disclosure certificate, found in Appendices B and C.

The legal opinion to be delivered will express the professional judgment of Bond Counsel, and by rendering a legal opinion, Bond Counsel does not become an insurer or guarantor of the result indicated by that expression of professional judgment or of the transaction or the future performance of the parties to the transaction.

MUNICIPAL ADVISOR

The Issuer has retained Piper Sandler & Co. as municipal advisor (the “Municipal Advisor”) in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. In preparing this Official Statement, the Municipal Advisor has relied upon governmental officials, and other sources who have access to relevant data to provide accurate information and the Municipal Advisor has not been engaged, nor has it undertaken, to independently verify the accuracy, completion or fairness of such information and data. The Municipal Advisor is not a public accounting firm and has not been engaged by the Issuer to compile, review, examine or audit any information in the Official Statement in accordance with accounting standards.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

The Issuer will covenant in a Continuing Disclosure Certificate for the benefit of the Owners and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds to provide annually certain financial information and operating data relating to the Issuer (the “Annual Report”), and to provide notices of the occurrence of certain enumerated events. The Annual Report is to be filed by the Issuer no later than April 15 after the close of each fiscal year, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, at its internet repository named “Electronic Municipal Market Access” (“EMMA”). The notices of events, if any, are also to be filed with EMMA. See “**APPENDIX C – FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE.**” The specific nature of the information to be contained in the Annual Report or the notices of events, and the manner in which such materials are to be filed, are summarized in “**APPENDIX C – FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE.**” These covenants have been made in order to assist the Underwriter in complying with SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(5) (the “Rule”).

A failure by the District to comply with the Undertaking will not constitute a default under the Resolution and beneficial owners of the Bonds are limited to the remedies described in the Undertaking. Any Holder or Beneficial Owner of the Bonds may take

such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance by court order, to cause the District to comply with its obligations under the Disclosure Certificate. Direct, indirect, consequential and punitive damages shall not be recoverable by any person for any default thereunder. If the District fails to comply with any provision of the Disclosure Certificate, the sole remedy available shall be an action to compel performance. A failure by the District to comply with the Undertaking must be reported in accordance with the Rule and must be considered by any broker, dealer or municipal securities dealer before recommending the purchase or sale of the Bonds in the secondary market. Consequently, such a failure may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Bonds and their market price.

The Issuer provides the following information in accordance with the reporting requirement of paragraph (f)(3) of the Rule:

Pursuant to the Rule, in the last five years, the Issuer believes it has complied in all material respects with regard to its prior Continuing Disclosure Undertakings. The Issuer is providing this statement for the sole purpose of assisting Underwriters in complying with the Rule.

Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to whether the Undertaking complies with the requirements of Section (b)(5) of the Rule.

MISCELLANEOUS

Brief descriptions or summaries of the Issuer, the Bond, and statutes are included in this Official Statement. The summaries or references herein to the Bonds and statutes referred to herein, and the description of the Bonds included herein, do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive, and such summaries, references and descriptions are qualified in their entirety by reference to such documents, and the description herein of the Bonds is qualified in its entirety by reference to the form thereof and the information with respect thereto included in the aforesaid documents. Copies of such documents may be obtained from the Issuer.

Any statements in this Official Statement involving matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly so stated, are intended as such and not as representations of fact, and no representation is made that any of the estimates will be realized. This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between the Issuer and the purchasers or Owners of any of the Bonds.

The attached APPENDICES A, B, C, D and E are integral parts of this Official Statement and must be read together with all of the foregoing statements.

It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds, but neither the failure to print such numbers on any Bonds nor any error in the printing of such numbers shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser thereof to accept delivery of and pay for any Bonds.

The Issuer has reviewed the information contained herein which relates to and has approved all such information for use within this Official Statement. The execution and delivery of this Official Statement has been duly authorized by the Issuer.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, STATE OF IOWA

/s/ Brandon Hansel
Executive Director of Financial Services

APPENDIX A – GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE ISSUER

**FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IOWA
DISTRICT OFFICIALS**

PRESIDENT	Molly Nelson
BOARD MEMBERS	Diane Pratt, Vice President Keenan Schuur Emily Dencklau Brian Pederson Zach Mason Dan Scott
SUPERINTENDENT	Joshua Porter
DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL SERVICES	Brandon Hansel
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	

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General Information

The Fort Dodge Community School District (the “District” or the “Issuer”) (159 sq. miles) is located in Webster County in north central Iowa. The District includes the City of Fort Dodge as well as unincorporated land in Webster County.

District Facilities (1)

Presented below is a recap of the existing facilities of the Issuer:

<u>Building</u>	<u>Construction Date</u>	<u>Grades Served</u>
High School	1958, 1973, 2002, 2004, 2009, 2010	9-12
Middle School	1922, 1977, 2013	6-8
Butler Elementary	2002	1-5
Cooper Elementary	1958, 1961, 1966	1-5
Duncombe Elementary	1912, 1950	1-5
Feelhaber Elementary	1968	1-5
Riverside Elementary	1957	PK-K

Enrollment (3)

Total enrollment in the Issuer in the fall of the past five school years has been as follows:

<u>Count Date</u>	<u>Fiscal Year effective</u>	<u>Certified (Resident) (4) (5)</u>	<u>Open Enroll In</u>	<u>Open Enroll Out</u>	<u>Total Served (6)</u>
October-25	2026-27	3,331.30	145.00	284.30	3,192.00
October-24	2025-26	3,422.90	145.00	284.30	3,283.60
October-23	2024-25	3,521.80	150.00	271.30	3,400.50
October-22	2023-24	3,561.00	144.00	252.00	3,453.00
October-21	2022-23	3,655.80	129.00	238.00	3,546.80

Staff (1)

Presented below is a list of the Issuer's 536 employees.

Administrators:	24	Media Specialists:	1
Teachers:	235	Nurses:	7
Teacher Aids:	126	Guidance:	10
Custodians:	21	Secretaries:	19
Food Service:	0	Transportation:	19
Other:	60	Maintenance:	14

Population (2)

Presented below are population figures for the periods indicated for the city of Fort Dodge:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Population</u>
2020	24,871
2010	25,206
2000	25,136
1990	25,894
1980	29,423
1970	31,263

(1) Source: the Issuer

(2) Source: U.S. Census Bureau

(3) Source: Iowa Department of Education

(4) Used for Sales Tax distribution

(5) Used for State Aid distribution

(6) For each fiscal year, the school district into which any student open-enrolls, sends an invoice to the home-district in the amount of regular district cost per pupil, which is equal to the amount of State Aid the home-district receives from the State.

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (1)

Plan Description - The Issuer operates a single-employer health benefit plan which provides medical and prescription drug benefits for employees, retirees and their spouses.

Individuals who are employed by the Issuer and are eligible to participate in the group health plan are eligible to continue healthcare benefits upon retirement. Retirees under age 65 pay the same premium for the medical/prescription drug benefit as active employees, which results in an implicit subsidy and an OPEB liability.

Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement. At June 30, 2025, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	12
<u>Active employees</u>	<u>517</u>
Total	529

Total OPEB Liability – The Issuer’s total OPEB liability of \$2,025,463 was measured as of June 30, 2025, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions – the total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2025 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and the entry age normal actuarial cost method, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation (effective 6/30/25)	2.50%
Rates of salary increase (effective 6/30/25) including inflation	3.25%
Discount rate (effective 6/30/25) including inflation	3.97%
Healthcare cost trend rate (effective 6/30/25)	7.60% initial rate decreasing gradually to an ultimate rate of 3.90%

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.97%, which reflects the index rate for 20-year tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher as of the measurement date.

Mortality rates are from the Pub-2010 General mortality tables with projected mortality improvements based on Scale MP-2021. Annual retirement probabilities are based on varying rates by age and turnover probabilities mirror those used by IPERS.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability:

Total OPEB obligation – beginning of year	\$1,890,591
Changes for the year	
	Service Cost 165,260
	Interest 77,611
	Change in assumption (17,601)
	<u>Benefit Payments (90,398)</u>
Net Changes	134,872
Net OPEB obligation – end of year	\$2,025,463

Changes of assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.86% in fiscal year 2024 to 3.97% in fiscal year 2025.

(1) Source: the Issuer

Employee Pension Plan (1)

Plan Description. Iowa Public Employees’ Retirement System (“IPERS”) membership is mandatory for employees of the Issuer. The Issuer’s employees are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer defined pension plan administered by IPERS. IPERS benefits are established under Iowa Code, Chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. The Issuer’s employee who completed seven years of covered service or has reached the age of 65 while in IPERS covered employment becomes vested. If the Issuer’s employee retires before normal retirement age, the employees’ monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. IPERS provides pension benefits as well as disability benefits to Issuer employees and benefits to the employees’ beneficiaries upon the death of the eligible employee. See “**APPENDIX D–AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ISSUER–NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**” for additional information on IPERS. Additionally, copies of IPERS annual financial report may be obtained from www.ipers.org. However, the information presented in such financial reports or on such websites is not incorporated into this Official Statement by any reference.

Contributions. Effective July 1, 2012, as a result of a 2010 law change, IPERS contribution rates for the Issuer and its employees are established by IPERS following the annual actuarial valuation (which applies IPERS’ Contribution Rate Funding Policy and Actuarial Amortization method.) State statute, however, limits the amount rates can increase or decrease each year to one (1) percentage point. Therefore, any difference between the actuarial contribution rates and the contributions paid is due entirely to statutorily set contributions that may differ from the actual contribution rates. As a result, while the contribution rate in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 equaled the actuarially required rate, there is no guarantee, due to this statutory limitation on rate increases, that the contribution rate will meet or exceed the actuarially required rate in the future.

The Issuer’s contributions to IPERS is not less than that which is required by law. The Issuer’s share of the contribution, payable from the applicable funds of the Issuer, is provided by a statutorily authorized annual levy of taxes without limit or restriction as to rate or amount. The Issuer has always made its full required contributions to IPERS.

The following table sets forth the contributions made by the Issuer and its employees to IPERS for the period indicated. The Issuer cannot predict the levels of funding that will be required in the future.

Table 1 – Issuer and Employees Contribution to IPERS.

Fiscal Year	Issuer Contribution		Issuer Employees’ Contribution	
	Amount Contributed	% of Covered Payroll	Amount Contributed	% of Covered Payroll
2020	\$2,518,264	9.44	\$1,678,643.22	6.29
2021	2,526,636	9.44	\$1,690,195.25	6.29
2022	2,565,944	9.44	\$1,714,665.07	6.29
2023	2,498,635	9.44	\$1,670,380.32	6.29
2024	2,506,196	9.44	\$1,669,937.47	6.29
2025	2,574,365	9.44	\$1,715,334.12	6.29

The Issuer cannot predict the levels of funding that will be required in the future as any IPERS unfunded pension benefit obligation could be reflected in future years in higher contribution rates. The investment of moneys, assumptions underlying the same and the administration of IPERS is not subject to the direction of the Issuer. Thus, it is not possible to predict, control or prepare for future unfunded accrued actuarial liabilities of IPERS (“UAALS”). The UAAL is the difference between total actuarially accrued liabilities and actuarially calculated assets available for the payment of such benefits. The UAAL is based on assumptions as to retirement age, mortality, projected salary increases attributed to inflation, across-the-board raises and merit raises, adjustments, cost-of-living adjustments, valuation of current assets, investment return and other matters. Such UAAL could be substantial in the future, requiring significantly increased contributions from the Issuer which could affect other budgetary matters.

Table 2 – Recent returns of IPERS (1)

According to IPERS, the market value investment return on program assets is as follows:

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Investment Return %
2020	3.39
2021	29.63
2022	-3.90
2023	5.41
2024	9.07
2025	9.87

(1) SOURCE: The Issuer

The following table sets forth certain information about the funding status of IPERS that has been extracted from the annual comprehensive financial reports of IPERS (collectively, the “IPERS ACFRs”), and the actuarial valuation reports provided to IPERS by Cavanaugh MacDonald Consulting, LLC (collectively, the “IPERS Actuarial Reports”). Additional information regarding IPERS and its latest actuarial valuations can be obtained by contacting IPERS administrative staff.

Table 3 – Funding Status of IPERS (1)

Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets [a]	Market Value of Assets [b]	Actuarial Accrued Liability [c]	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (Actuarial Value) [c]-[a]	Funded Ratio (Actuarial Value) [a]/[c]	Unfunded Actuarial Liability (Market Value) [c]-[b]	Funded Ratio (Market Value) [b]/[c]	Covered Payroll [d]	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (Actuarial Value) [[c-a]/[d]]
2020	34,485,656,745	34,047,692,112	41,072,427,540	6,586,770,795	83.96	7,024,735,428	82.90	8,391,856,350	78.49
2021	37,584,987,296	42,889,875,682	42,544,648,750	4,959,661,454	88.34	-345,226,932	100.81	8,648,783,536	57.35
2022	39,354,232,379	40,191,566,259	43,969,714,606	4,615,482,227	89.50	3,778,148,347	91.40	9,018,019,950	51.18
2023	41,012,524,216	41,206,314,259	45,719,979,439	4,707,455,223	89.70	4,513,665,180	90.13	9,588,339,000	49.10
2024	42,927,257,062	43,661,123,300	47,302,619,657	4,375,362,595	90.75	3,641,496,357	92.30	10,002,034,974	43.74
2025	45,222,324,002	46,740,552,175	49,063,230,575	3,840,906,573	92.17	2,322,678,400	95.27	10,525,039,254	36.49

Net Pension Liabilities (2)

At June 30, 2025, the Issuer reported a liability of \$10,424,754 for its proportional share of the IPERS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7%. The Issuer’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Issuer’s share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. See “**APPENDIX D–AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ISSUER–NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**” for additional information related to the Issuer’s deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, actuarial assumptions, discount rate and discount rate sensitivity.

Detailed information about the pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS’ website at www.ipers.org.

Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel, the Issuer, the Underwriter and the Municipal Advisor undertake no responsibility for and make no representations as to the accuracy or completeness of the material available from IPERS as discussed above or included on the IPERS website, including, but not limited to, updates of such information on the Auditor of State’s website or links to other websites through the IPERS website.

Investment of Public Funds (2)

The Issuer invests its funds pursuant to Chapter 12B of the Code. Presented below is the Issuer’s investing activities as of January 31, 2026.

Type of Investment	Amount Invested
Local Bank Money Market	\$0
Local Bank Deposit Accounts	46,399,852.33
Local Bank Time CD’s	0
ISJIT Money Market	0
ISJIT Time CD’s	0

(1) Source: IPERS Actuarial Reports. For a description of the assumptions used when calculating the funding status of IPERS for the fiscal year noted herein, see IPERS ACFRs

(2) Source: the Issuer

Major Employers (1)

Presented below is a summary of the largest employers in located within the Issuer:

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Approximate Employees</u>
Elanco Animal Health	Drug manufacturer	500-999
Unity Point Health-Trinity Regional	Hospital	500-999
Friendship Haven	Retirement community	250-499
Hy-Vee	Grocery store	250-499
Marian Home	Home health services	100-249
Fort Dodge CSD	Education	100-249
Nestle Purina Pet Care Co.	Pet food manufacturer	100-249
Silgan Containers LLC	Can manufacturer	100-249
United States Gypsum Co.	Gypsum manufacturer	100-249
Woodruff Construction	General contractor – nonresidential	100-249
Iowa Central Community College	Education	100-249
Heartland Communications Admin	Publishers-periodicals	100-249
Northwoods Living	Non profit organization	100-249
Army National Guard	Military	100-249
First Battalion 194 th Artillery	Governmental office	100-249
Fareway	Grocery store	100-249
Kohl's	Department store	100-249
Menard's	Home center	100-249
Target	Retail store	100-249
Wal-Mart	Retail store	100-249
Oberg Freight Co.	Trucking	100-249
Fort Dodge Ford	Automobile dealer	50-99
Frontier Communications	Communications	50-99
Aml Riverside	Drug millers	50-99
Certain Teed Corp	Building materials manufacturer	50-99
Georgia-Pacific	Petroleum products	50-99
National Gypsum Co.	Gypsum manufacturer	50-99
Valero Renewables	Ethanol manufacturer	50-99
Iowa Central Job Training Program	Employment agency	50-99
Fort Dodge Community Rec Center	Child care services	50-99
Fort Dodge Health & Rehab	Occupational therapists	50-99
Fort Dodge Villa Care Center	Retirement community	50-99
North Central Iowa Mental Health	Mental health services	50-99
Unitypoint Hospice	Home health services	50-99
Certified Transmission	Automobile transmissions	50-99
Trinity Lutheran Church	Church	50-99
Human Resources Dept Glenwood	Human resource consultants	50-99
UPS Customer Cetner	Mailing & shipping services	50-99
Webster County	Government	50-99
Decker Truck Line	Trucking	50-99
Jefferson Lines	Bus Line	50-99
Midas Regional Transit Authority	Bus Line	50-99
White Transfer & Storage Co	Storage	50-99
Prairie Lakes AEA	Educational services	50-99
Genex/Land O'Lakes AG Services	Farm supplies	50-99

(1) Source: Iowa Workforce Development.com/employer database

Property Tax Assessment (3) (4)

In compliance with section 441.21 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, the State Director of Revenue annually directs all county auditors to apply prescribed statutory percentages to the assessments of certain categories of real property. The final values, called Actual Valuation, are then adjusted by the County Auditor. Assessed or Taxable Valuation subject to tax levy is then determined by the application of State determined rollback percentages, principally to residential and commercial property.

Beginning in 1978, the State required a reduction in Actual Valuation to reduce the impact of inflation on its residents. The resulting value is defined as the Assessed or Taxable Valuation. The rollback percentages for residential, agricultural and commercial valuations are as follows:

Fiscal Year	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Ag. Land & Bldgs</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Multi-residential</u>	<u>Railroad</u>	Chap 437 <u>Utilities</u>	Chap 428/438 <u>Utilities</u>	<u>Industrial</u>
2026-27	44.5345	59.4401	90.0000	NA	90.0000	94.2059	98.0000	90.0000
2025-26	47.4316	73.8575	90.0000	NA	90.0000	100.0000	NA	90.0000
2024-25	46.3428	71.8370	90.0000	NA	90.0000	100.0000	NA	90.0000
2023-24	54.6501	91.6430	90.0000	NA	90.0000	100.0000	NA	90.0000
2022-23	54.1302	89.0412	90.0000	63.7500	90.0000	100.0000	NA	90.0000

Property is assessed on a calendar year basis. The assessments finalized as of January 1 of each year are applied to the following fiscal year. For example, the assessments finalized on January 1, 2024 are used to calculate tax liability for the tax year starting July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. Presented below are the historic property valuations of the Issuer by class of property.

- (1) Source: the Issuer
- (2) Source: Iowa Workforce Development.com/employer database
- (3) Source: Iowa Department of Revenue
- (4) In 2023, the Legislature created a rollback for small commercial, small railroad and small industrial properties that receive the same rollback rate as residential properties receive for said year, for the valuation of those classes up to \$150,000. Valuation above \$150,000 is taxed at the above rollback rate for each of commercial, railroad and industrial.

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Property Valuations (1)

Actual Valuation					
Valuation as of January	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Fiscal Year	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
Residential:	1,500,354,989	1,376,174,679	1,368,730,798	1,208,597,285	1,151,835,031
Agricultural Land:	190,900,504	141,285,275	141,076,902	105,035,657	106,618,827
Ag Buildings:	4,802,820	4,389,330	4,263,780	2,630,070	2,679,330
Commercial:	327,759,570	339,905,142	337,534,624	271,899,267	268,557,789
Industrial:	76,739,180	72,562,347	72,029,359	72,115,234	74,165,735
Multiresidential:	0	0	0	0	47,031,383
Personal RE:	0	0	0	0	0
Railroads:	23,415,860	23,669,420	23,118,860	21,985,530	20,468,560
Utilities:	36,345,096	14,775,068	16,980,446	14,857,116	14,984,021
Other:	254,810	70,890	33,330	33,230	33,210
Total Valuation:	2,160,572,829	1,972,832,151	1,963,768,099	1,697,153,389	1,686,373,886
Less Military:	3,560,233	3,753,412	3,929,549	1,949,681	2,105,236
Less Homestead:	12,278,500	12,148,500	5,931,250		
Net Valuation:	2,144,734,096	1,956,930,239	1,953,907,300	1,695,203,708	1,684,268,650
TIF Valuation:	151,469,027	137,503,797	140,856,917	99,756,207	96,230,145
Utility Replacement:	431,167,647	434,280,013	413,836,091	372,570,127	204,257,639
Taxable Valuation					
Valuation as of January	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Fiscal Year	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
Residential:	667,274,130	651,841,571	632,259,361	655,498,254	619,506,939
Agricultural Land:	113,329,692	104,288,287	101,281,160	96,247,411	94,921,020
Ag Buildings:	2,854,806	3,241,845	3,062,969	2,410,281	2,385,710
Commercial:	244,145,505	258,256,957	254,693,237	204,786,804	236,141,672
Industrial:	62,735,372	59,475,810	58,893,613	59,332,610	63,687,448
Multiresidential:	0	0	0	0	29,547,470
Personal RE:	0	0	0	0	0
Railroads:	21,036,470	21,267,082	20,770,674	19,757,585	18,421,704
Utilities:	35,618,195	14,775,068	16,980,446	14,857,116	14,984,021
Other:	254,810	33,616	15,442	33,230	33,210
Total Valuation:	1,147,248,980	1,113,180,236	1,087,956,902	1,052,923,291	1,079,629,194
Less Military:	3,560,233	3,753,412	3,929,549	1,949,681	2,105,236
Less Homestead:	12,278,500	12,148,500	5,931,250		
Net Valuation:	1,131,410,247	1,097,278,324	1,078,096,103	1,050,973,610	1,077,523,958
TIF Valuation:	135,479,717	123,034,291	126,122,647	99,756,207	96,230,145
Utility Replacement:	83,854,857	77,978,227	78,711,573	78,863,429	77,915,651
	Actual Valuation	% Change in Actual Valuation	Taxable Valuation	% Change in Taxable Valuation	
	<u>Year</u>	<u>w/ Utilities</u>	<u>w/ Utilities</u>		
	2025	2,727,370,770	7.86%	1,350,744,821	4.04%
	2024	2,528,714,049	0.80%	1,298,290,842	1.20%
	2023	2,508,600,308	15.74%	1,282,930,323	4.34%
	2022	2,167,530,042	9.21%	1,229,593,246	-1.76%
	2021	1,984,756,434	8.78%	1,251,669,754	5.76%

(1) Source: Iowa Department of Management

Tax Rates (1)

Presented below are the taxes levied by the Issuer for the fund groups as presented, for the period indicated:

Fiscal Year	Operating Fund	Management Fund	Board PPEL	Voter PPEL	Play Ground	Debt Service	School House	Total Levy
2026	10.47534	1.19123	0.33000	1.15904	0.00000	2.48157	0.00000	15.63718
2025	10.16033	1.12378	0.33000	1.12973	0.00000	2.48042	0.00000	15.22426
2024	11.11394	0.93819	0.33000	1.12805	0.00000	2.26384	0.00000	15.77402
2023	11.01983	0.86547	0.33000	1.14474	0.00000	2.54596	0.00000	15.90600
2022	11.17408	0.86394	0.33000	1.13508	0.00000	2.69031	0.00000	16.19341

Historic Tax Rates (1)

Presented below are the tax rates by taxing entity for residents of the City of Fort Dodge:

Fiscal Year	City	School	College	State	Assessor	Ag Extens	Hospital	County	Total Levy Rate
2026	20.75000	15.63718	1.56992	0.00000	0.30129	0.15288	0.00000	6.37248	0.00000
2025	20.95500	15.22426	1.42738	0.00180	0.30863	0.15103	0.00000	6.40129	44.46939
2024	20.73786	15.77402	1.35550	0.00180	0.26993	0.15463	0.00000	6.45765	44.75139
2023	20.09897	15.90600	1.24274	0.00240	0.29835	0.15097	0.00000	6.06213	43.76156
2022	20.42283	16.19341	1.09210	0.00260	0.29675	0.15125	0.00000	6.06072	44.21966

Tax Collection History (2)

Presented below are the actual ad-valorem tax levies and collections for the periods indicated:

Fiscal Year	Amount Levied	Amount Collected	Percentage Collected
2026	\$19,091,095	In collection	
2025	18,261,551	\$18,273,351	100.06%
2024	18,321,481	18,347,459	100.14%
2023	18,887,682	18,920,960	100.18%
2022	18,264,660	18,267,750	100.02%

(1) Source: Iowa Department of Management

(2) Source: the Issuer

Largest Taxpayers (1) (2)

Set forth in the following table are the persons or entities which represent the 2024 largest taxpayers within the Issuer. No independent investigation has been made of and no representation is made herein as to the financial condition of any of the taxpayers listed below or that such taxpayers will continue to maintain their status as major taxpayers in the Issuer. The Issuer's tax levy is uniformly applicable to all of the properties included in the table, and thus taxes expected to be received by the Issuer from such taxpayers will be in proportion to the assessed valuations of the properties. The total tax bill for each of the properties is dependent upon the tax levies of the other taxing entities which overlap the properties.

<u>Webster County Taxpayer</u>	<u>2024 Taxable Valuation</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>
Mid American Energy - Electric	\$68,978,686	5.31%
Elanco Us Inc	22,000,243	1.69%
Union Pacific Railroad Company	18,345,289	1.41%
Koch Fertilizer Ft Dodge LLC	15,493,481	1.19%
Northern Natural Gas	14,664,862	1.13%
Calcium Products Inc.	13,387,907	1.03%
Trinity Regional Medical Center	9,011,750	0.69%
Menard INC Corporate Accounting	8,903,748	0.69%
Van Diest Family LLC	8,624,419	0.66%
Walmart Real Estate Business	8,558,769	0.66%
		14.48%

(1) Source: Webster County

(2) Utility Property Tax Replacement. Beginning in 1999, the State replaced its previous property tax assessment procedure in valuing the property of entities involved primarily in the production, delivery, service and sale of electricity and natural gas with a replacement tax formula based upon the delivery of energy by these entities. Electric and natural gas utilities now pay replacement taxes to the State in lieu of property taxes. All replacement taxes are allocated among local taxing cities by the State Department of Revenue and Finance and the Department of Management. This allocation is made in accordance with a general allocation formula developed by the Department of Management on the basis of general property tax equivalents. Properties of these utilities are exempt from the levy of property tax by political subdivisions. Utility property will continue to be valued by a special method as provided in the statute and taxed at the rate of three cents per one thousand dollars for the general fund of the State. The utility replacement tax statute states that the utility replacement tax collected by the State and allocated among local taxing cities (including the Issuer) shall be treated as property tax when received and shall be disposed of by the county treasurer as taxes on real estate. However, utility property is not subject to the levy of property tax by political subdivisions, only the utility replacement tax and statewide property tax. It is possible that the Issuer's authority to levy taxes to pay principal and interest on the Bonds could be adjudicated to be proportionately reduced in future years if the utility replacement tax were to be other than "taxable property" for purposes of computing the Issuer's levy limit under Iowa Code Section 298.18, as amended from time to time. There can be no assurance that future legislation will not (i) operate to reduce the amount of debt the Issuer can issue or (ii) adversely affect the Issuer's ability to levy taxes in the future for the payment of the principal of and interest on its outstanding debt obligations, including the Bonds.

Direct Debt

General Obligation School Bonds (Debt Service) (1)

Presented below is the principal and interest on the Issuer's outstanding general obligation bonds, presented by fiscal year and issue:

Fiscal Year	11-May-16	PRE-PAY 11-May-16*	27-May-26	Total	Interest Total	P&I Total
2026	1,755,000	0		1,755,000	161,513	1,916,513
2027	1,790,000	-635,000*	1,000,000	2,155,000	1,129,897	3,284,897
2028	1,830,000	-640,000*	250,000	1,440,000	1,142,025	2,582,025
2029	1,250,000	0	250,000	1,500,000	1,102,275	2,602,275
2030	1,250,000	-40,000	250,000	1,460,000	1,057,900	2,517,900
2031	1,250,000	-1,250,000	250,000	250,000	1,011,600	1,261,600
2032	1,250,000	-1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,001,600	2,251,600
2033	1,250,000	-1,250,000	1,300,000	1,300,000	951,600	2,251,600
2034	1,250,000	-1,250,000	1,355,000	1,355,000	899,600	2,254,600
2035	1,250,000	-1,250,000	1,405,000	1,405,000	845,400	2,250,400
2036			1,465,000	1,465,000	789,200	2,254,200
2037			1,520,000	1,520,000	730,600	2,250,600
2038			1,585,000	1,585,000	669,800	2,254,800
2039			1,645,000	1,645,000	606,400	2,251,400
2040			1,710,000	1,710,000	540,600	2,250,600
2041			1,780,000	1,780,000	472,200	2,252,200
2042			1,850,000	1,850,000	401,000	2,251,000
2043			1,925,000	1,925,000	327,000	2,252,000
2044			2,000,000	2,000,000	250,000	2,250,000
2045			2,085,000	2,085,000	170,000	2,255,000
2046			2,165,000	2,165,000	86,600	2,251,600
Totals:	14,125,000	-7,565,000	27,040,000	33,600,000	14,346,809	47,946,809

* to be redeemed May 1, 2026

General Obligation School Capital Loan Notes (PPEL) (1)

The Issuer does not have any outstanding General Obligation School Capital Loan Notes.

Anticipatory Warrants (1)

The Issuer has not issued anticipatory warrants during the past five years.

School Infrastructure Sales, Services & Use Tax Revenue Bonds (1)

Presented below is the principal and interest payments due on the Issuer's outstanding School Infrastructure Sales, Services & Use Tax Revenue Bonds.

Fiscal Year	1/1 Pay 1-Dec-16	Total	Interest Total	P&I Total
2026	2,064,000	2,064,000	204,283	2,268,283
2027	2,084,000	2,084,000	160,314	2,244,314
2028	2,129,000	2,129,000	115,657	2,244,657
2029	2,174,000	2,174,000	70,045	2,244,045
2030	2,217,000	2,217,000	23,500	2,240,500
Totals:	10,668,000	10,668,000	573,799	11,241,799

(1) Source: the Issuer

Debt Limit (1) (2) (3) (4)

The amount of general obligation debt a political subdivision of the State of Iowa can incur is controlled by the constitutional debt limit, which is an amount equal to 5% of the actual value of property within the corporate limits, taken from the last County Tax list. The Issuer's debt limit, based upon said valuation, amounts to the following:

1/1/2024 Actual Valuation:	\$2,528,714,049
X	0.05
Statutory Debt Limit:	126,435,702
Total General Obligation Debt:	34,875,000
Less Bonds called in 2026	1,275,000
Total Loan Agreements:	0
Capital Leases:	0
Total Sales Tax Revenue Debt:	0
Total Debt Subject to Limit:	33,600,000
Percentage of Debt Limit Obligated:	26.57%

It has not been determined whether the Issuer's Sales Tax Revenue Bonds do or do not count against the constitutional debt limit. If the Bonds do count against the constitutional debt limit, the amount of debt subject to the debt limit would increase \$10,668,000 * to be \$44,268,000*, or 35.01% * of the statutory debt limit.

- (1) Direct debt source: the Issuer
- (2) Valuation data source: Iowa Department of Management
- (3) Preliminary, subject to change
- (4) Utility Property Tax Replacement

Beginning in 1999, the State replaced its previous property tax assessment procedure in valuing the property of entities involved primarily in the production, delivery, service and sale of electricity and natural gas with a replacement tax formula based upon the delivery of energy by these entities. Electric and natural gas utilities now pay replacement taxes to the State in lieu of property taxes. All replacement taxes are allocated among local taxing cities by the State Department of Revenue and Finance and the Department of Management. This allocation is made in accordance with a general allocation formula developed by the Department of Management on the basis of general property tax equivalents. Properties of these utilities are exempt from the levy of property tax by political subdivisions. Utility property will continue to be valued by a special method as provided in the statute and taxed at the rate of three cents per one thousand dollars for the general fund of the State.

It is possible that the general obligation debt capacity of the Issuer could be adjudicated to be proportionately reduced in future years if utility property were determined to be other than "taxable property" for purposes of computing the Issuer's debt limit under Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Iowa. There can be no assurance that future legislation will not (i) operate to reduce the amount of debt the Issuer can issue or (ii) adversely affect the Issuer's ability to levy taxes in the future for the payment of the principal of and interest on its outstanding debt obligations, including the Bonds.

Overlapping & Underlying Debt (1) (3)

Presented below is a listing of the overlapping and underlying debt outstanding of Issuers within the Issuer.

<u>Taxing Authority</u>	<u>Outstanding Debt</u>	<u>2024 Taxable Valuation</u>	<u>Taxable Value Within Issuer</u>	<u>Percentage Applicable</u>	<u>Amount Applicable</u>
City Of Fort Dodge	\$60,480,867	\$894,956,656	\$894,956,656	100.00%	\$60,480,867
City Of Badger	550,000	21,156,088	21,156,088	100.00%	550,000
City Of Otho	\$180,000	8,946,472	8,946,472	100.00%	180,000
Webster County	17,965,000	2,491,321,463	1,298,290,842	52.11%	9,362,017
Iowa Central CC	44,316,781	11,661,868,172	1,298,290,842	11.13%	4,933,692

Total Overlapping & Underlying Debt: \$14,295,710

FINANCIAL SUMMARY (1) (2) (3) (4)

Actual Value of Property, 2024:	\$2,528,714,049
Taxable Value of Property, 2024:	1,298,290,842
Direct General Obligation Debt:	33,600,000
Overlapping Debt:	14,295,710
Direct & Overlapping General Obligation Debt:	\$47,895,710
Population, 2020 US Census:	29,137
Direct Debt per Capita:	\$1,153.17
Total Debt per Capita:	\$1,643.81
Direct Debt to Taxable Valuation:	2.59%
Total Debt to Taxable Valuation:	3.69%
Direct Debt to Actual Valuation:	1.33%
Total Debt to Actual Valuation:	1.89%
Actual Valuation per Capita:	\$86,787
Taxable Valuation per Capita:	\$44,558

- (1) Valuation source: Iowa Department of Management
 (2) Direct debt source: the Issuer
 (3) Overlapping debt outstanding source: Treasurer, State of Iowa; where available, EMMA.MSRB.ORG
 (4) Population source: U.S. Census Bureau

APPENDIX B – FORM OF LEGAL OPINION

DRAFT

We hereby certify that we have examined a certified transcript of the proceedings of the Board of Directors of the Fort Dodge Community School District in the County of Webster, State of Iowa, and acts of administrative officers of the School District (the "Issuer"), relating to the issuance of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2026, by said Issuer, dated May 27, 2026, in the denominations of \$5,000 or multiples thereof, in the aggregate amount of \$ _____ (the "Bonds").

We have examined the law and certified proceedings and other papers as we deem necessary to render this opinion as bond counsel.

As to questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied upon representations of the Issuer contained in the Resolution authorizing issuance of the Bonds (the "Resolution") and in the certified proceedings and other certifications of public officials furnished to us, without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation.

Based on our examination and in reliance upon the certified proceedings and other certifications described above, we are of the opinion, under existing law, as follows:

1. The Issuer is duly created and validly existing as a body corporate and politic and political subdivision of the State of Iowa with the corporate power to adopt and perform the Resolution and issue the Bonds.
2. The Bonds are valid and binding general obligations of the Issuer.
3. All taxable property in the territory of the Issuer is subject to ad valorem taxation without limitation as to rate or amount to pay the Bonds. Taxes have been levied by the Resolution for the payment of the Bonds and the Issuer is required by law to include in its annual tax levy the principal and interest coming due on the Bonds to the extent the necessary funds are not provided from other sources.
4. Interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals; however, such interest may be taken into account for the purpose of computing the alternative minimum tax imposed on certain corporations. The opinion set forth in the preceding sentence is subject to the condition that the Issuer comply with all requirements of the Code that must be satisfied subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds in order that the interest thereon be, and continue to be, excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The Issuer has covenanted to comply with all such requirements. Failure to comply with certain of such requirements may cause interest on the Bonds to be includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds.

We express no opinion regarding the accuracy, adequacy, or completeness of the Official Statement or other offering material relating to the Bonds. Further, we express no opinion regarding tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds other than as expressly set forth herein.

The rights of the owners of the Bonds and the enforceability of the Bonds are limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, and by equitable principles, whether considered at law or in equity.

This opinion is given as of the date hereof, and we assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may later come to our attention, or any changes in law that may later occur.

AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.

APPENDIX C – FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

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CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the "Disclosure Certificate") is executed and delivered by the Fort Dodge Community School District, State of Iowa (the "Issuer"), in connection with the issuance of \$ _____ General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2026 (the "Bonds") dated May 27, 2026. The Bonds are being issued pursuant to a Resolution of the Issuer approved on _____, 2026 (the "Resolution"). The Issuer covenants and agrees as follows:

Section 1. Purpose of the Disclosure Certificate; Interpretation. This Disclosure Certificate is being executed and delivered by the Issuer for the benefit of the Holders and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds and in order to assist the Participating Underwriters in complying with S.E.C. Rule 15c2-12(b)(5). This Disclosure Certificate shall be governed by, construed and interpreted in accordance with the Rule, and, to the extent not in conflict with the Rule, the laws of the State. Nothing herein shall be interpreted to require more than required by the Rule.

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

"Annual Financial Information" shall mean financial information or operating data of the type included in the final Official Statement, provided at least annually by the Issuer pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Certificate.

"Beneficial Owner" shall mean any person which (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Bonds (including persons holding Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries), or (b) is treated as the owner of any Bonds for federal income tax purposes.

"Business Day" shall mean a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday or a day on which banks in Iowa are authorized or required by law to close.

"Dissemination Agent" shall mean the Issuer or any Dissemination Agent designated in writing by the Issuer and which has filed with the Issuer a written acceptance of such designation.

"Financial Obligation" shall mean a (i) debt obligation; (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (iii) guarantee of (i) or (ii). The term "Financial Obligation" does not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with S.E.C. Rule 15c2-12.

"Holders" shall mean the registered holders of the Bonds, as recorded in the registration books of the Registrar.

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

"Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board" or "MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, 1300 I Street NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20005.

"National Repository" shall mean the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access website, a/k/a "EMMA" (emma.msrb.org).

"Official Statement" shall mean the Issuer's Official Statement for the Bonds, dated _____, 2026.

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

"Rule" shall mean Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission (S.E.C.) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and any guidance and procedures thereunder published by the S.E.C., as the same may be amended from time to time.

"State" shall mean the State of Iowa.

Section 3. Provision of Annual Financial Information.

- a. The Issuer shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to, not later than the 15th day of April of each year following the close of the Issuer's fiscal year (currently June 30), commencing with information for the 2025/2026 fiscal year, provide to the National Repository an Annual Financial Information filing consistent with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate. The Annual Financial Information filing must be submitted in such format as is required by the MSRB (currently in "searchable PDF" format). The Annual Financial Information filing may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a

package. The Annual Financial Information filing may cross-reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate; provided that the audited financial statements of the Issuer may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Financial Information filing and later than the date required above for the filing of the Annual Financial Information if they are not available by that date. If the Issuer's fiscal year changes, it shall give notice of such change in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(c).

- b. If the Issuer is unable to provide to the National Repository the Annual Financial Information by the date required in subsection (a), the Issuer shall send a notice to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, if any, in substantially the form attached as Exhibit A.
- c. The Dissemination Agent shall:
 - i. each year file Annual Financial Information with the National Repository; and
 - ii. (if the Dissemination Agent is other than the Issuer), file a report with the Issuer certifying that the Annual Financial Information has been filed pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate, stating the date it was filed.

Section 4. Content of Annual Financial Information. The Issuer's Annual Financial Information filing shall contain or incorporate by reference the following:

- a. The last available audited financial statements of the Issuer for the prior fiscal year, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by the Financial Accounting Standards Board as modified in accordance with the governmental accounting standards promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board or as otherwise provided under State law, as in effect from time to time, or, if and to the extent such financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, noting the discrepancies therefrom and the effect thereof. If the Issuer's audited financial statements for the preceding years are not available by the time Annual Financial Information is required to be filed pursuant to Section 3(a), the Annual Financial Information filing shall contain unaudited financial statements of the type included in the final Official Statement, and the audited financial statements shall be filed in the same manner as the Annual Financial Information when they become available.
- b. A table, schedule or other information prepared as of the end of the preceding fiscal year, of the type contained in the final Official Statement under the caption "Property Valuations", "Tax Rates", "Historic Tax Rates", "Tax Collection History", "Direct Debt", "Debt Limit", and "Financial Summary".

Any or all of the items listed above may be included by specific reference to other documents, including official statements of debt issues of the Issuer or related public entities, which have been filed with the National Repository. The Issuer shall clearly identify each such other document so included by reference.

Section 5. Reporting of Significant Events.

- a. Pursuant to the provisions of this Section, the Issuer shall give, or cause to be given, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds in a timely manner not later than 10 Business Days after the day of the occurrence of the event:
 - i. Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
 - ii. Non-payment related defaults, if material;
 - iii. Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
 - iv. Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements relating to the Bonds reflecting financial difficulties;
 - v. Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
 - vi. Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax-exempt status of the Series Bonds, or material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the Bonds;
 - vii. Modifications to rights of Holders of the Bonds, if material;
 - viii. Bond calls (excluding sinking fund mandatory redemptions), if material, and tender offers;
 - ix. Defeasances of the Bonds;
 - x. Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
 - xi. Rating changes on the Bonds;
 - xii. Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer;
 - xiii. The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
 - xiv. Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
 - xv. Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
 - xvi. Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

- b. Whenever the Issuer obtains the knowledge of the occurrence of a Listed Event, the Issuer shall determine if the occurrence is subject to notice only if material, and if so shall as soon as possible determine if such event would be material under applicable federal securities laws.
- c. If the Issuer determines that knowledge of the occurrence of a Listed Event is not subject to materiality, or determines such occurrence is subject to materiality and would be material under applicable federal securities laws, the Issuer shall promptly, but not later than 10 Business Days after the occurrence of the event, file a notice of such occurrence with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board through the filing with the National Repository.

Section 6. Termination of Reporting Obligation. The Issuer's obligations under this Disclosure Certificate with respect to each Series of Bonds shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds of that Series or upon the Issuer's receipt of an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel to the effect that, because of legislative action or final judicial action or administrative actions or proceedings, the failure of the Issuer to comply with the terms hereof will not cause Participating Underwriters to be in violation of the Rule or other applicable requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Section 7. Dissemination Agent. The Issuer may, from time to time, appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any such Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible in any manner for the content of any notice or report prepared by the Issuer pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate. The initial Dissemination Agent shall be the Issuer.

Section 8. Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer may amend this Disclosure Certificate, and any provision of this Disclosure Certificate may be waived, provided that the following conditions are satisfied:

- a. If the amendment or waiver relates to the provisions of Section 3(a), 4, or 5(a), it may only be made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature or status of an obligated person with respect to the Bonds, or the type of business conducted;
- b. The undertaking, as amended or taking into account such waiver, would, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of the original issuance of the Bonds, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and
- c. The amendment or waiver either (i) is approved by the Holders of the Bonds in the same manner as provided in the Resolution for amendments to the Resolution with the consent of Holders, or (ii) does not, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, materially impair the interests of the Holders or Beneficial Owners of the Bonds.

In the event of any amendment or waiver of a provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer shall describe such amendment in the next Annual Financial Information filing, and shall include, as applicable, a narrative explanation of the reason for the amendment or waiver and its impact on the type (or in the case of a change of accounting principles, on the presentation) of financial information or operating data being presented by the Issuer. In addition, if the amendment relates to the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements, (i) notice of such change shall be given in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(c), and (ii) the Annual Financial Information filing for the year in which the change is made will present a comparison or other discussion in narrative form (and also, if feasible, in quantitative form) describing or illustrating the material differences between the financial statements as prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles.

Section 9. Additional Information. Nothing in this Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Certificate or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Financial Information filing or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Certificate. If the Issuer chooses to include any information in any Annual Financial Information filing or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer shall have no obligation under this Certificate to update such information or include it in any future Annual Financial Information filing or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

Section 10. Default. In the event of a failure of the Issuer to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Certificate, any Holder or Beneficial Owner of the Bonds may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the Issuer to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate. Direct, indirect, consequential and punitive damages shall not be recoverable by any person for any default hereunder and are hereby waived to the extent permitted by law. A default under this Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an event of default under the Resolution, and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the Issuer to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

Section 11. Duties, Immunities and Liabilities of Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Disclosure Certificate, and the Issuer agrees to indemnify and save the Dissemination Agent, its officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless against any loss, expense and liabilities which it may incur arising out of or in the exercise or performance of its powers and duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding

liabilities due to the Dissemination Agent's negligence or willful misconduct. The obligations of the Issuer under this Section shall survive resignation or removal of the Dissemination Agent and payment of the Bonds.

Section 12. Beneficiaries. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Issuer, the Dissemination Agent, the Participating Underwriters and Holders and Beneficial Owners from time to time of the Bonds, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

Section 13. Rescission Rights. The Issuer hereby reserves the right to rescind this Disclosure Certificate without the consent of the Holders in the event the Rule is repealed by the S.E.C. or is ruled invalid by a federal court and the time to appeal from such decision has expired. In the event of a partial repeal or invalidation of the Rule, the Issuer hereby reserves the right to rescind those provisions of this Disclosure Certificate that were required by those parts of the Rule that are so repealed or invalidated.

Date: _____ day of _____, 2026.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT, STATE OF IOWA

By: _____
President

ATTEST:

By: _____
Secretary of the Board of Directors

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE TO NATIONAL REPOSITORY OF
FAILURE TO FILE ANNUAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Name of Issuer: Fort Dodge Community School District, Iowa.
Name of Bond Issue: \$ _____ General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2026
Dated Date of Issue: May 27, 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Issuer has not provided Annual Financial Information with respect to the above-named Bonds as required by Section 3 of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate delivered by the Issuer in connection with the Bonds. The Issuer anticipates that the Annual Financial Information will be filed by _____.

Dated: _____ day of _____, 20__.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT, STATE OF IOWA

By: _____
Its: _____

APPENDIX D – AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ISSUER

This Appendix contains the entire 2025 audited financial statement of the issuer. The Auditor of State of the State of Iowa (the "State Auditor") maintains a webpage that contains prior years' audits of city, county, school district and community college, including audits of the Issuer.

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Fort Dodge Community School District
Fort Dodge, Iowa

Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

**ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE
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FORT DODGE, IOWA**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

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Brandon C Hansel, SBO, Director of Financial Services

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FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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December 22, 2025

To President Nelson, Members of the Board of Directors, and patrons of the Fort Dodge Community School District:

It is indeed my pleasure to submit to you the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for the Fort Dodge Community School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. The report has been prepared to conform to guidelines recommended by the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) International and the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada.

Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the District. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the enclosed information is fairly stated in all material respects and is presented in a manner which sets forth the financial position and results of operations of the various funds of the District in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, (GAAP). It includes all District funds. All disclosures necessary to enable a reader to gain maximum understanding of the District's financial activities have been included.

The 2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report is presented in four sections: Introductory, Financial, Statistical, and Single Audit. The Introductory Section includes a transmittal letter, the District's organizational chart, and a list of District officials.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) immediately follows the independent auditor's report and provides a narrative overview of the basic financial statement. The letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it.

Reporting Entity

This report includes all funds and account groups that are part of the Fort Dodge Community School District. The District is a separate reporting entity and is not included in any other reporting entity. A seven-member elected Board of Education, serving staggered terms of four years, governs the Fort Dodge Community School District. The Board of Education is a policymaking and planning body whose decisions are carried out by school administrators. The District is subject to the general oversight of the Iowa Department of Education. This oversight generally includes an approval process that reviews compliance with standards enacted by legislative mandate.

The City of Fort Dodge is located in the northeast part of Webster County, Iowa, on the Bluffs of the Des Moines River and surrounds the Fort Dodge Community School District. Fort Dodge is Iowa's 20th largest city with a population of 24,871 as reported by the 2020 census. Fort Dodge traces its beginnings to 1850 when soldiers from the United States Army erected a fort at the junction of the Des Moines River and Lizard Creek. It was named after Henry Dodge, a U.S. senator from Wisconsin. The fort was abandoned in 1853 and the next year William Williams, a civilian storekeeper in Fort Dodge, purchased the land and buildings of the old fort. The town of Fort Dodge was founded in 1869. In 1872 the long and continuing history of gypsum production in Iowa started when George Ringland, Webb Vincent, and Stillman T. Meservey formed the Fort Dodge Plaster Mills to mine, grind, and prepare gypsum for commercial use. The Company constructed the first gypsum mill west of the Mississippi River, at the head of what is now Gypsum Creek.

The Fort Dodge School District is the 25th largest of Iowa's over 300 K-12 public school systems. The enrollment is approximately 3,560 students. The District provides a full range of educational services appropriate to students in early childhood, preschool, transitional kindergarten, and grades kindergarten through twelve. These services include basic, regular and enriched academic education; special education for children with special needs; vocational education; and numerous individualized programs such as specialized instruction for students at-risk and for limited-English-speaking students.

The District is composed of one high school, one intermediate school, four elementary schools and an on-campus alternative educational program. Our early childhood learning facility houses the state four-year-old preschool program and kindergarten. Student enrollment (pre-school through high school) for the 2023-24 school year was approximately 3,560 regular and special education students. The District employs approximately 500 persons of whom approximately 375 are professional staff and 125 are support staff.

Economic Condition and Outlook

The District is located in the Northwest quadrant of the state. Being the largest community within an hour's drive, Fort Dodge serves as the commercial center for the region. As a regional hub, Fort Dodge has several large organizations that provide stability to the local economy. Unity Point Regional Medical Center, Fort Dodge Regional Airport, Iowa Central Community College, and many big box retail stores are a few examples. As a result of shifts in industry, Fort Dodge has experienced some economic loss over the years with the closure of several meat packing plants and other manufacturing related companies. The School District has experienced declining enrollment in recent years with the loss of over 500 students in the last 10 years. However, the strong agricultural climate in recent years has led to a resurgence in economic activity and business investment in the area. The development of an agricultural business park has attracted large companies such as Cargill to build a bio-fuel production facility.

As a result of these new economic factors and the corresponding jobs that have been created, the District enrollment has remained fairly stable. The District continues to monitor the level of economic activity and is now projecting the rate of student enrollment decline to level off with the potential for mild increases in enrollment for the next several years due primarily to the shift stabilization of a new pork processing plant.

In recent years, Iowa schools have faced a low funding environment at the State level. The District has faced inadequate funding for state aid and other state-funded programs, and this was particularly demonstrated in a state percent of growth rate less than 3% for the last 10 years.

Major Initiatives

The District continues to try and deal with its aging infrastructure through the completion of a new Middle School in 2013 and Duncombe Elementary School in August of 2018 paid for with General Obligation Bond proceeds. In 2020 the District completed the renovation of the new Central Administration building located in the former Hy-Vee grocery store building and started renovation of the former Arey Elementary building into a new Early Childhood Center. Federal pandemic relief funding was used for extensive HVAC upgrades at Cooper Elementary and the Senior High during 2021 and 2022. A new fieldhouse was constructed at Dodger Stadium in 2024.

Long-Term Financial Planning

Unassigned fund balance in the general fund decreased in fiscal year 2025 by approximately \$658 Thousand due to identified one-time expenses. This decrease in fund balance resulted in a solvency ratio of 22.21% and within target range to meet unforeseen financing requirements, fund summer operations, and to obtain higher bond ratings as the District determines its facility needs for the future with bonding.

The State of Iowa has implemented lower allowable growth, mid-year budget reductions in past years. With a changing District like Fort Dodge, funds need to be built up to help cover expenses of enrollment fluctuations since funding is not received until the subsequent year. With approximately 80% of the District's resources required for salaries and benefits, staffing efficiencies will become a priority.

Relevant Financial Policies

Since the State of Iowa funding formula is pupil driven, an increase in total spending authority occurs by increasing the number of pupils or by increasing the cost per pupil. The cost per pupil can be increased by the legislature in setting the amount of supplemental aid each year. Under the law, the legislature has thirty (30) days after receiving the governor's budget recommendation to set the state percent of growth for the year following the budget year. State percent of growth is crucial in funding the needs of our growing District.

Internal Control

Management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure designed to ensure that the assets of the District are protected from loss, theft or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data are compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The internal control structure is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that these objectives are met.

The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) the evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management. All internal accounting controls adequately safeguard assets and provide reasonable assurance of proper recording of financial transactions.

As a recipient of federal, state and local financial assistance, the District is also responsible for ensuring that adequate internal control is in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. As a part of the District's single audit, described earlier, tests are made to determine the adequacy of internal control, including that portion related to federal awards programs, as well as to determine that the District has complied with applicable laws and regulations.

Budgetary Controls

In addition, the District maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual budget approved by the District's governing body. Activities of the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Enterprise Fund, Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund are included in the annual budget. The level of budgetary control (that is, the level at which expenditures cannot legally exceed the budgeted amount) is established by function and encompasses all fund types. To facilitate the monitoring of the legal provisions, and to provide more complete information to interested parties, the District prepares a more detailed budget for each fund. The District also maintains an encumbrance accounting system as one technique of accomplishing budgetary control.

As demonstrated by the statements and schedules included in the Management's Discussion and Analysis included in the financial section of this report, the District continues to meet its responsibility for sound financial management.

Independent Audit

The Code of the State of Iowa requires an annual independent audit of the District to be performed by an accounting firm selected in a competitively bid process. The firm selected for the audit of the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2025 was TrustPoint, LLP. The annual audit meets the requirements of the Code of Iowa, auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the requirements of Title 2, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 2000, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). The auditor's report on the general-purpose financial statements and combining and individual fund statements is included in the financial section of this report. The auditor's reports related specifically to the Uniform Guidance are included in a separate section for internal controls and compliance.

Awards

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Fort Dodge Community School District for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition for excellence in state and local financial reporting.

In order to be presented this award, the District must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized annual comprehensive financial report. This report must satisfy both GAAP and applicable legal requirements. A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only.

The School District has also received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO). Upon recommendation of the Association's Panel and Review, which has judged that the report substantially conforms to principles and standards of ASBO's Certificate of Excellence Program, we are submitting this report to ASBO to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

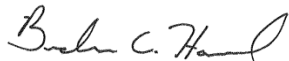
A certificate from both associations is valid for a period of one year. We believe that our current annual comprehensive financial report continues to meet the program requirements of GFOA and ASBO and we are submitting it to both associations to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

Acknowledgements

The preparation of this report could not be accomplished without the dedicated service and contributions of all necessary departments and personnel and advice from our auditors, TrustPoint, LLP. Finally, we would like to thank the Board of Education for their continued commitment to conducting the financial operations of the District with the highest level of responsibility and professionalism.

We are pleased to present this report of the results of the District's financial operation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. It is our hope that study and review of this report will provide a better understanding of the District's financial operation.

Respectfully submitted,



Brandon C. Hansel, SBO
Executive Director of Financial Services



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Iowa**

For its Annual Comprehensive
Financial Report
For the Fiscal Year Ended

June 30, 2024

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Executive Director/CEO



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INTERNATIONAL

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for its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024.

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



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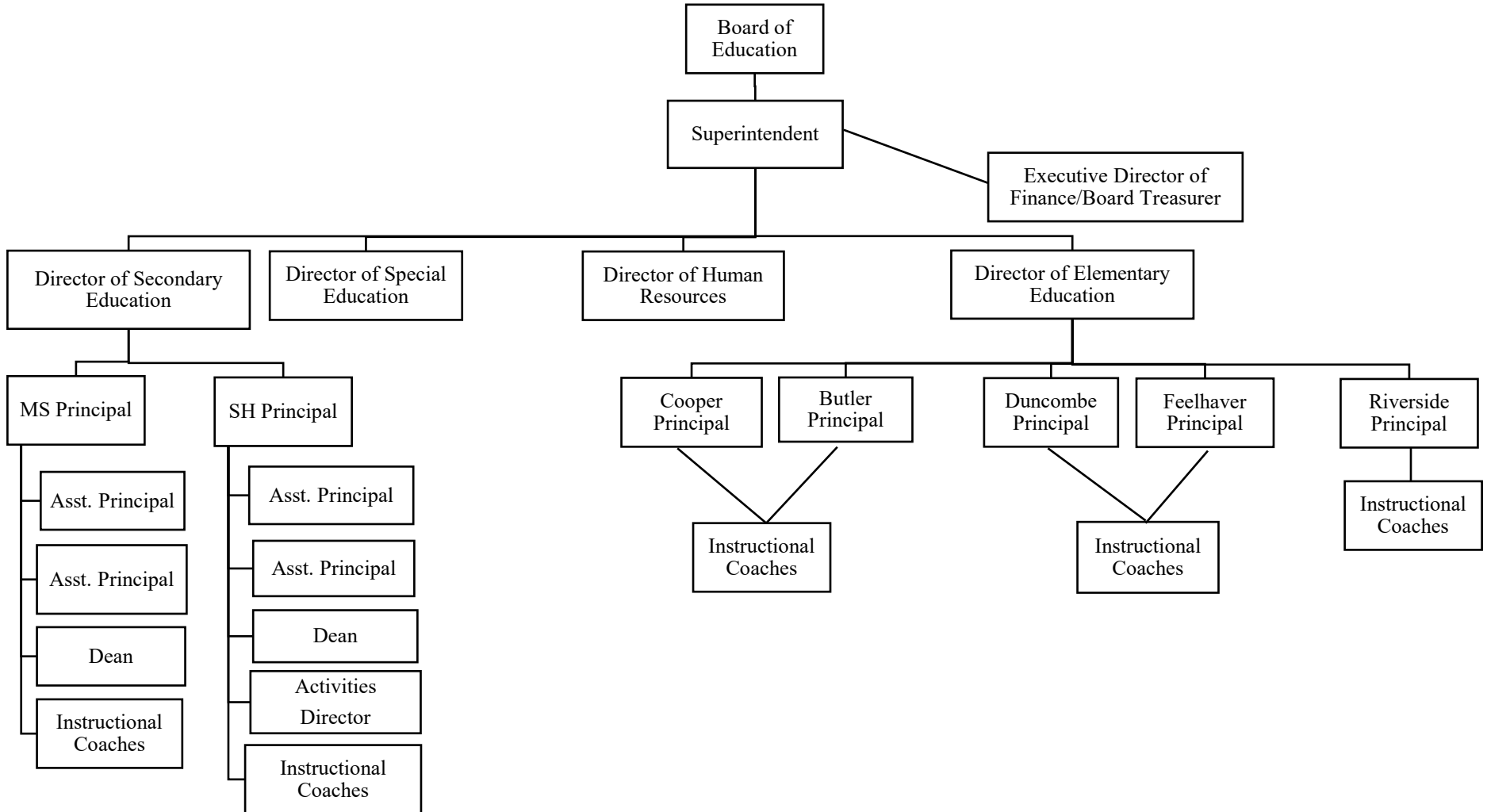
Ryan S. Stechschulte
President

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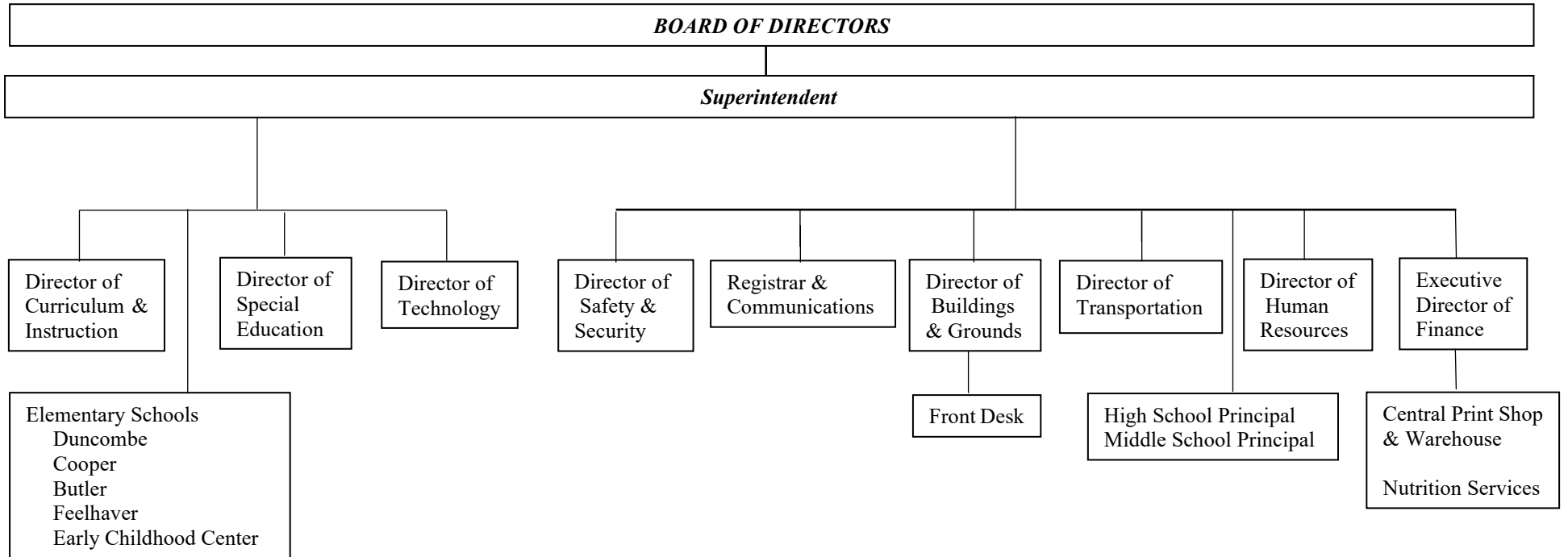
James M. Rowan, CAE, SFO
CEO/Executive Director

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Teaching and Learning Organizational Chart



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2025-2026 Organizational Chart



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BOARD OF EDUCATION

<i>NAME</i>	<i>POSITION</i>	<i>TERM EXPIRES</i>
Stuart Cochrane (resigned September 9, 2024)	President	2025
Dan Altman	President	2025
Diane Pratt	Vice President	2027
Keenan Schuur	Board Member	2027
Emily Dencklau	Board Member	2027
Brian Pederson	Board Member	2027
Molly Nelson	Board Member	2025
Zach Mason (appointed September 28, 2024)	Board Member	2025

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

<i>NAME</i>	<i>POSITION</i>
Joshua Porter	Superintendent of Schools
Brandon Hansel	Executive Director of Financial Services
Kimberly Whitmore	Director of Human Resources
Teri Boezinger	Director of Curriculum
Nick Sells	Food Service Director
Ryan Utley	Director of Buildings and Grounds
Branwyn Greathouse	Director of Special Education
Kate Simpson	Cooper Elementary Principal
Kevin Bailey	Director of Technology
Brad Niemeyer	Director of Transportation
Staci Laird	High School Principal
Matt Elsbecker	High School Associate Principal
Marta Paukert	High School Associate Principal
Emily Klocke	High School Associate Principal
Brandon Ruffridge	Athletic Director
Shawn Chesteen	Middle School Principal
Josh Schaefer	Middle School Associate Principal
Michael Reynolds	Middle School Associate Principal
Will Gormally	Middle School Associate Principal
Laura Resnick	Butler Elementary Principal
Ryan Flaherty	Duncombe Elementary Principal
Sara Fitzgerald	Feelhaber Elementary Principal
Jeri Thompson	Early Childhood Center Principal

FINANCIAL SECTION



Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Education of
Fort Dodge Community School District:

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Fort Dodge Community School District, Fort Dodge, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Fort Dodge Community School District as of June 30, 2025 and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Fort Dodge Community School District, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our audit. We believe the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 15 to the financial statements, the District adopted new accounting guidance related to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences. As a result, the June 30, 2024 governmental activities net position was restated.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and 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 Fort Dodge Community School 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 Responsibilities 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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.

In performing an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- 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 Fort Dodge Community School 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 Fort Dodge Community School District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Information, the Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of District Contributions and the Schedule of Changes in the District's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios on pages 14 through 26 and 63 through 68 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board* who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Fort Dodge Community School District's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the third paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the nine years ended June 30, 2024 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unmodified opinions on those financial statements. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 7, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards required by Title 2, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) on pages 97 and 98, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic 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 basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information in Schedules 1 through 7 and pages 97 and 98 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the introductory and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 22, 2025 on our consideration of Fort Dodge Community School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Fort Dodge Community School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

TrustPoint, LLP

Fort Dodge, Iowa
December 22, 2025

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of the Fort Dodge Community School District's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the financial statements. Since all activities are required to be reported on a full accrual basis, a comprehensive comparison to the prior year has been made as is required to provide comparison of key current year data to prior year data. (Please refer to Table A-1 for comparison of the fiscal years.) Please read this analysis in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

2025 Financial Highlights

- The District's net position in fiscal year 2025 increased 10.64% to \$102.973 million. The Governmental Activities net position increased 10.99%, while the business-type activities net position decreased 8.83%. (See Table A-1) Overall, general fund revenues were \$50.541 million, and expenditures were \$51.607 million.
- Spending efficiency and properly aligned categorical expenses with designated revenues contributed to the increase in the District's net position.
- A decrease in bank account interest yield resulted in the General Fund interest income decreasing from \$846,345 in fiscal year 2024 to \$723,192 in fiscal year 2025. Interest rates decreased this year as the Federal Reserve makes policy adjustments.
- The General Fund ending unassigned fund balance decreased from \$11.540 million in fiscal year 2024 to \$10.878 million in fiscal year 2025.
- The District's self-insured dental internal service fund had a reserve of \$603,027 at the end of the fiscal year. Premium equivalent levels are reviewed and adjusted annually to maintain the necessary reserves.
- The District's self-insured health plan internal service fund had a reserve of \$7,867,547 at the end of the fiscal year. Premium equivalent levels are reviewed and adjusted annually to maintain the necessary reserves.
- The District Statement of Net Position indicates an unrestricted net balance of \$7.959 million at the end of the 2025 fiscal year, which is up from \$5.804 million at the end of the 2024 fiscal year.
- The District revenues increased 1.73% in the 2025 fiscal year compared to a 1.30% decrease in the 2024 fiscal year, while the District expenses increased 1.73% in the 2025 fiscal year compared to a 4.36% increase in the 2024 fiscal year. Please refer to Table A-2 for a breakdown of the revenues and expenses.
- The Fort Dodge Community School District certified enrollment count taken on October 1, 2024, was 3,422.9. This count represents a decrease of 98.9 students from the prior year. The historic enrollment trend for the District has been downward; however, recent local economic development has provided job growth in the area which can be attributed to enrollment stability.
- The 2025 special education program ended the year with a deficit balance of (\$998,617). The balance in fiscal year 2024 was a deficit of (\$192,687).

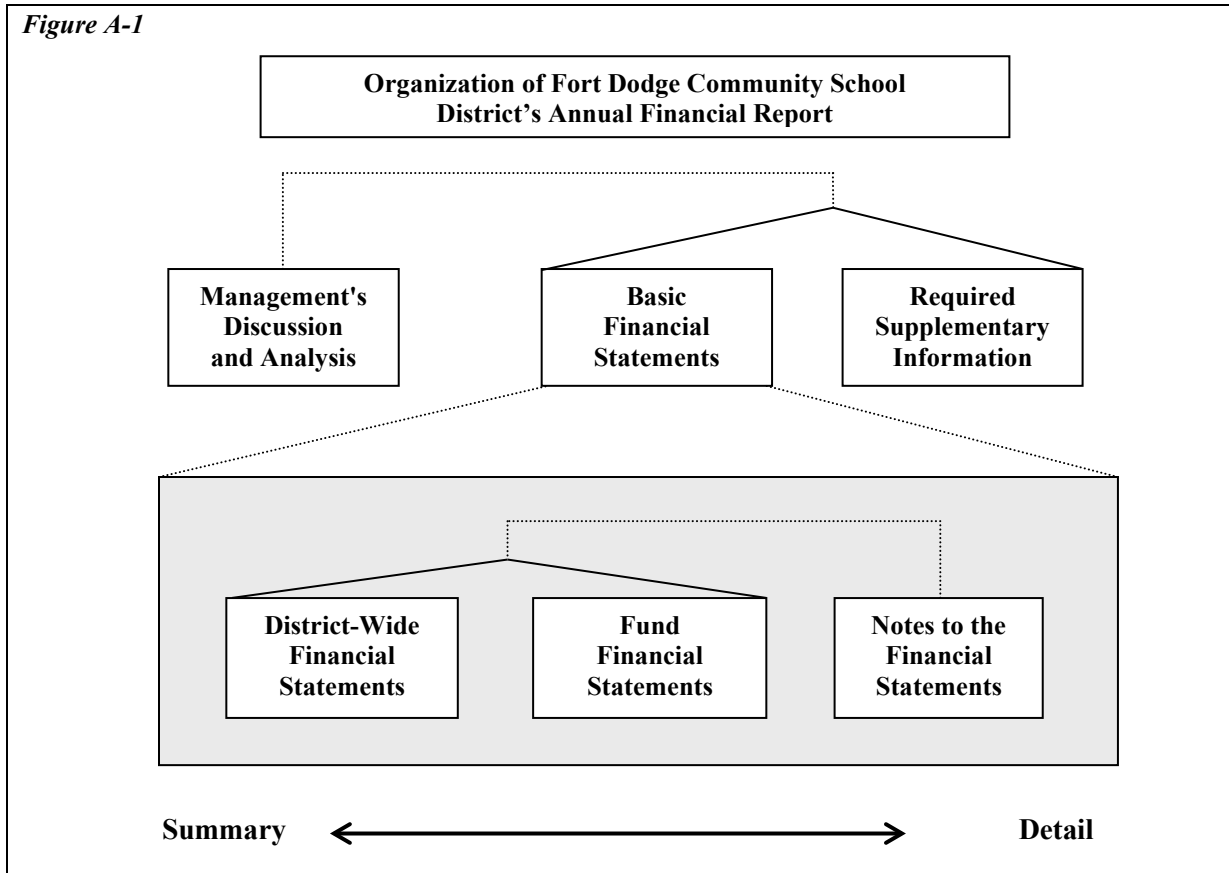
MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of three parts--management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements are *government-wide financial statements* (Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities) that provide both short-term and long-term information about the District's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are *fund financial statements* that focus on individual parts of the District, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.
- The *governmental funds statements* tell how basic services like regular and special education were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.
- *Proprietary funds statements* offer short- and long-term financial information about the activities the district operates, like businesses, such as food services.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the District's budget for the year. Figure A-1 shows how the various parts of this annual report are arranged and related to one another.



MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Figure A-2 on this page summarizes the major features of the District’s financial statements, including the portion of the District’s activities they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of management’s discussion and analysis highlights the structure and contents of each of the statements.

**Figure A-2
Major Features of Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

	District-wide Statements	Fund Financial Statements		
		Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds	Fiduciary Funds
Scope	Entire District	The activities of the District that are not proprietary, such as special education and building maintenance	Activities the District operates similar to private businesses; school nutrition and the medical self-insurance internal service fund included here	Instances in which the District administers resources on behalf of someone else, such as scholarship programs
Required financial statements	Statement of net position Statement of activities	Balance sheet Statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances	Statement of net position Statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position Statement of cash flows	Statement of fiduciary net position Statement of changes in fiduciary net position
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of asset/liability	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Generally, assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term; funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid.	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due and payable	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	All additions and deductions during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Government-wide Financial Statements

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

The two government-wide financial statements report the District's *net position* and how it has changed. Net position is one way to measure the District's financial health or *financial position*. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating. To assess the overall health of the District, you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

In the government-wide financial statements, the District's activities are divided into two categories:

- *Governmental activities*—Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation, and administration. Property taxes and state aid finance most of these activities.
- *Business-type activities*—The District charges fees to help cover the costs of certain services it provides. The District's food service program is included here.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's *funds*, focusing on its most significant or "major" funds – not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs.

Some funds are required by state law and by bond covenants. The District establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes, such as accounting for student activity funds and repaying its long-term debts, or to show that it is properly using certain revenues, such as federal grants.

The District has three kinds of funds:

- *Governmental funds* - Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the district-wide statements, we provide additional information with the governmental funds statements that explain the relationship (or differences) between them.

The District's governmental funds include the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund and the Capital Projects Fund.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a Balance Sheet and a Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

- *Proprietary funds* - Services for which the District charges a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the government-wide financial statements. The District's Enterprise Fund, School Nutrition, one type of proprietary fund, is the same as its business-type activities, but provides more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. Internal service funds (the other kind of proprietary fund) are used to report activities that provide supplies and services for the District's other programs and activities. The District currently has three internal service funds which handle the Flexible Spending Account, the Self-Funded Dental Account and the Self-Funded Health Plan Account.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position and a Statement of Cash Flows.

- *Fiduciary funds* – The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others. The District's fiduciary fund includes the Private-Purpose Trust Fund, which accounts for outside donations for scholarships for individual students.

The District is responsible for ensuring the assets reported in the fiduciary funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The District excludes these activities from the government-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

The required financial statements for fiduciary funds include a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and a Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position.

Reconciliations between the government-wide financial statements and the governmental fund financial statements follow the governmental fund financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Table A-1 below provides a summary of the District's net position at June 30, 2025 compared to June 30, 2024.

Table A-1 Condensed Statement of Net Position							
	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total District		Total Change
	June 30, 2025	Restated 2024	June 30, 2025	2024	June 30, 2025	Restated 2024	June 30, 2024-2025
Assets:							
Current and other assets	\$ 68,604,604	\$ 66,685,950	\$ 1,434,591	\$ 1,499,490	\$ 70,039,195	\$ 68,185,440	2.72%
Capital assets	90,154,112	87,220,287	198,968	228,904	90,353,080	87,449,191	3.32%
Total assets	158,758,716	153,906,237	1,633,559	1,728,394	160,392,275	155,634,631	3.06%
Deferred Outflows of Resources	3,647,724	5,054,008	5,037	7,623	3,652,761	5,061,631	-27.83%
Liabilities:							
Long-term debt outstanding	32,288,883	40,225,900	16,680	20,406	32,305,563	40,246,306	-19.73%
Other liabilities	6,591,525	5,494,712	146,694	97,392	6,738,219	5,592,104	20.50%
Total liabilities	38,880,408	45,720,612	163,374	117,798	39,043,782	45,838,410	-14.82%
Deferred Inflows of Resources	22,025,494	21,788,697	2,513	2,814	22,028,007	21,791,511	1.09%
Net Position:							
Net investment in capital assets	71,690,243	63,841,803	198,968	228,904	71,889,211	64,070,707	12.20%
Restricted	23,125,322	23,191,314		-	23,125,322	23,191,314	-0.28%
Unrestricted	6,684,973	4,417,819	1,273,741	1,386,501	7,958,714	5,804,320	37.12%
Total net position	\$ 101,500,538	\$ 91,450,936	\$ 1,472,709	\$ 1,615,405	\$ 102,973,247	\$ 93,066,341	10.64%

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

The District's combined net position was larger on June 30, 2025, than it was the year before--increasing 10.64% to \$102.973 million. (See Table A-1). Most of this change in the District's financial position came from its governmental activities; the net position grew \$10.050 million to \$101.501 million. The net position of the District's business-type activities decreased 8.83% to \$1.473 million. Reasons for the increase in net position included a reduction in long-term debt outstanding and the reduction in the combination of the District's net pension liability, deferred inflows and outflows related to pensions.

The District's financial position is the product of many factors. The various sources of tax revenue, grants, and charges for services exceeded related expenditures. The one percent local option sales tax funding in the Capital Projects Fund has been especially helpful to the district. The \$4.658 million sales tax revenue received is exclusively used for capital projects, which will be expensed as depreciation over many years on the Statement of Activities.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Cash for governmental funds totaled \$46.034 million or 28.34% of total assets and deferred outflows of resources, down from 28.42% in fiscal 2024. Cash balances are needed at June 30th of each year to fund the district general fund operations in July, August, and the first half of September, when there is very little state aid or property tax revenue. The reason for the decrease in cash as a percent of total assets and deferred outflows of resource is due to increased construction in progress activity.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) requires that the property taxes certified in April (the lien date) for the upcoming fiscal year be accrued as a receivable and shown as deferred inflows of resources. The future property tax receivable of \$19.019 million and related deferred inflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position result from this requirement. Net property and equipment (capital assets) of \$90.353 million represents 56.33% of total assets for the 2025 fiscal year compared with \$87.449 million and 56.19% of total assets for the 2024 fiscal year. Reason for this change was due to work performed on the stadium renovation project and transportation garage.

Changes in Statement of Activities

Table A-2 recasts the Statement of Activities into a traditional revenue and expenses format. State aid accounts for 36.24% of total revenue and general property tax accounts for 20.02% for the 2025 fiscal year, compared with 35.84% and 21.21%, respectively, for the 2024 fiscal year. Specific categorical grants and contributions from state, federal, and private sources account for 21.28% of revenue for the 2025 fiscal year compared with 19.53% for the 2024 fiscal year. The local option sales tax dedicated to school infrastructure totals 7.04% for 2025 compared with 7.21% for the 2024 fiscal year. The charges for services, mainly tuition and student co-curricular activities, decreased from 3.83% for the 2024 fiscal year compared with 3.44% for the 2025 fiscal year. (See Table A-2). Revenues increased 1.73% in FY25 primarily due to House File 2612, which changed the percentage of educational and media services funding which flowed through to each Area Education Agency. In FY 2025, the District retained 60% of this funding rather than 0% in FY 2024. The growth in total revenue is reflected in operating grants and contributions. The District's State categorical aid for teacher salary supplement and Federal funding account for the increase.

Of the District's expenses for 2025, 55.50% are predominately related to the instruction of students, compared with 55.64% for 2024. All other non-instructional expenses accounted for 44.50% in 2025 compared with 44.36% of expenses for 2024. (See Table A-2). These categories contain many line items directly supporting students and instruction, such as guidance, health, media, technology, improvement of instruction, and student transportation and food service program costs and depreciation expense not directly allocated to any functional area. In FY25, due to an increase in wage and benefit expenses, both instructional and non-instructional categories increased.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE (CONTINUED)

Changes in Statement of Activities (Continued)

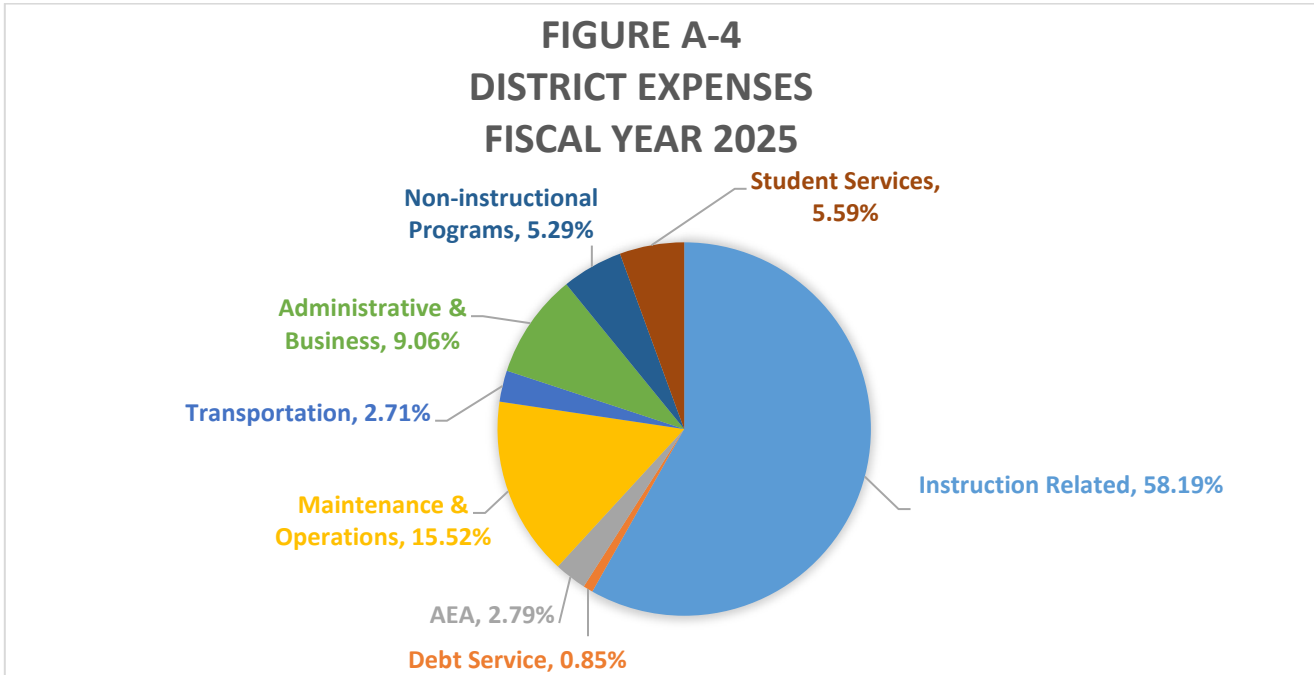
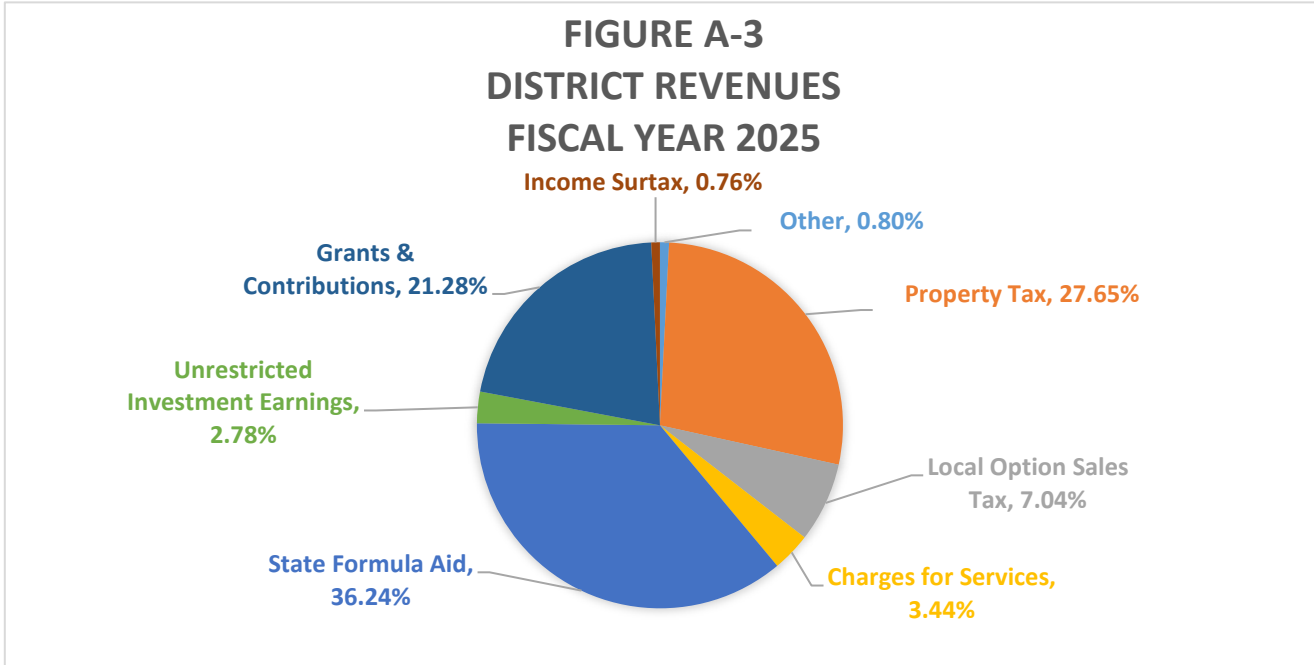
Operations and maintenance and building administration are also significant in the support services area. The State of Iowa by formula funds local school districts for the services of area education agencies and then pays 40% of these dollars directly to the agency.

Table A-2							
Changes in Net Position							
	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total District		Total Change
	2025	Not Restated 2024	2025	2024	2025	Not Restated 2024	2023-2024
Revenues:							
Program revenues:							
Charges for service	\$ 2,019,113	\$ 2,258,015	\$ 258,791	\$ 230,634	\$ 2,277,904	\$ 2,488,649	-8.47%
Operating grants and contributions	11,590,081	10,295,999	2,485,502	2,407,793	14,075,583	12,703,792	10.80%
General revenues:							
Property taxes, general	13,242,644	13,791,739	-	-	13,242,644	13,791,739	-3.98%
Income surtax	505,116	619,789	-	-	505,116	619,789	-18.50%
Local Option Sales Tax	4,658,256	4,691,125	-	-	4,658,256	4,691,125	-0.70%
Property tax, capital outlay	1,870,598	1,792,535	-	-	1,870,598	1,792,535	4.35%
Property tax, debt service	3,178,580	2,783,195	-	-	3,178,580	2,783,195	14.21%
State formula aid	23,976,500	23,304,452	-	-	23,976,500	23,304,452	2.88%
Unrestricted investment earnings	1,762,077	2,420,670	79,181	90,589	1,841,258	2,511,259	-26.68%
Other	528,563	341,494	-	-	528,563	341,494	54.78%
Total revenues	63,331,528	62,299,013	2,823,474	2,729,016	66,155,002	65,028,029	1.73%
Program expenses:							
Instruction	31,219,492	30,762,197	-	-	31,219,492	30,762,197	1.49%
Student services	3,143,975	3,173,709	-	-	3,143,975	3,173,709	-0.94%
Instructional staff services	1,511,537	1,499,156	-	-	1,511,537	1,499,156	0.83%
Administrative and business	5,095,358	5,112,136	-	-	5,095,358	5,112,136	-0.33%
Maintenance and operations	8,731,806	7,797,508	-	-	8,731,806	7,797,508	11.98%
Transportation	1,523,117	1,612,345	-	-	1,523,117	1,612,345	-5.53%
Non-instructional programs	6,639	2,295	2,966,170	2,909,315	2,972,809	2,911,610	2.10%
Long-term debt interest and fiscal charges	479,372	559,502	-	-	479,372	559,502	-14.32%
AEA flowthrough	1,570,630	1,861,501	-	-	1,570,630	1,861,501	-15.63%
Total expenses	53,281,926	52,380,349	2,966,170	2,909,315	56,248,096	55,289,664	1.73%
Change in net position	10,049,602	9,918,664	(142,696)	(180,299)	9,906,906	9,738,365	1.73%
Net position beginning of year	91,450,936	82,461,631	1,615,405	1,795,704	93,066,341	84,257,335	10.45%
Net position end of year	\$ 101,500,538	\$ 92,380,295	\$ 1,472,709	\$ 1,615,405	\$ 102,973,247	\$ 93,995,700	9.55%

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE (CONTINUED)

Changes in Statement of Activities (Continued)



MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE (CONTINUED)

Governmental Activities

Revenues for governmental activities were \$63.332 million, while expenses amounted to \$53.282 million for 2025, compared with \$62.299 million and \$52.380 million for 2024. The District does need to watch expenses and strive to match as closely as possible with available revenues. (See Table A-2).

Table A-3 presents the cost of six major District activities: instruction, pupil and instructional services, administration and business, maintenance and operations, transportation and other. The table also shows each activity's net cost (total cost less fees generated by the activities and intergovernmental aid provided for specific programs). The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the District's taxpayers by each of these functions.

	Total and Net Cost of Governmental Activities					
	Total Cost of Services			Net Cost of Services		
	2025	Not Restated 2024	Change 2024-2025	2025	Not Restated 2024	Change 2024-2025
Instruction	\$ 31,219,492	\$ 30,762,197	1.49%	\$ 21,360,411	\$ 21,504,644	-0.67%
Pupil and instructional services	4,655,512	4,672,865	-0.37%	3,592,893	3,658,419	-1.79%
Administrative and business	5,095,358	5,112,136	-0.33%	4,423,657	4,818,706	-8.20%
Maintenance and operations	8,731,806	7,797,508	11.98%	8,330,644	7,716,008	7.97%
Transportation	1,523,117	1,612,345	-5.53%	1,479,116	1,566,761	-5.59%
Other	2,056,641	2,423,298	-15.13%	486,011	561,797	-13.49%
Total	\$ 53,281,926	\$ 52,380,349	1.72%	\$ 39,672,732	\$ 39,826,335	-0.39%

- The cost of all governmental activities this year was \$53.282 million.
- Some of the cost of \$2.019 million was financed by users of the District's programs.
- The federal and state governments subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions of \$11.590 million.
- The net cost portion of governmental activities was financed with \$18.292 million in property taxes, \$0.505 million in income surtax, \$23.977 million in state aid, \$4.658 million in local option sales taxes, and \$2.291 million in interest and miscellaneous income.

Business-Type Activities

Revenues of the District's business-type activities (school nutrition services) were comprised of charges for the daily lunch and breakfasts, and federal and state reimbursements.

- During the 2025 fiscal year, the change in net position was (\$142,696) compared to (\$180,299) for the 2024 fiscal year. Revenues increased 3.46% to \$2.823 million, while expenses increased 1.95% to \$2.966 million.
- During the 2006-2007 fiscal year, the District outsourced the food service employees to Taher, Inc. We have completed the eighteenth year under this arrangement, and it continues to work well for the district.
- Lunch prices remained unchanged this year due to the district's participation in the Community Eligibility Program.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE (CONTINUED)

Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds as well as its proprietary funds. (Refer to the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances–Governmental Funds.) As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$33.917 million – 2.11% lower than the prior year's ending fund balance of \$34.647 million.

The District's General Fund financial position decreased by \$1,071,523 at June 30, 2025 from \$12,181,913 at June 30, 2024, representing a 8.80% decrease. This change was due to deficit spending for the purpose of financial positioning.

The Capital Projects fund balance decreased to \$17,384,078 at June 30, 2025 from \$17,574,405 at June 30, 2024. This decrease is the result of work performed on the stadium renovation project and transportation garage.

In Fiscal Year 2025 the enterprise fund (School Nutrition) showed a net loss of \$142,696. This compares to the previous year's net loss of \$180,299. This change was due to more revenue from charges for service and Federal funding from the Federal lunch program. Despite the increase in revenue, expenses still exceeded the revenue generated.

Budgetary Highlights

- The District levied cash reserves in the 2025 fiscal year. The cash reserve amount will vary based on the District's needs, especially depending on the special education deficit, the amount requested from the School Budget Review Committee for asbestos and safety projects, and the District's requirements for sufficient cash balances for cash flow needs.
- Budgeted expenditures include both unspent spending authority from the prior year and general fund revenues.
- During fiscal year 2025 district expenditures did not exceed the amounts budgeted.
- The District's budget versus actual results were within acceptable management planning parameters. The final revenue variance was \$1,291,614 for the 2025 fiscal year compared with \$985,603 for the 2024 fiscal year, an increase of \$306,011. In fiscal year 2025, actual revenue from Federal and State sources was more than budgeted, while local source revenue was below budget amounts.
- The 2025 special education balance was a deficit of (\$998,617). The balance in fiscal year 2024 was a deficit of (\$192,687). Despite an additional investment in special education the deficit balance has increased.
- The final expenditure variance was \$9,414,334 for the 2025 fiscal year compared with \$10,757,121 for the 2024 fiscal year. This is a decrease of \$1,342,787 from the 2024 fiscal year to the 2025 fiscal year. The budget was amended during the year increasing budgeted expenditures by \$9,827,329. The budget was amended to account for unexpended reserves.
- See the Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures/Expenses and Changes in Balances-Budget and Actual – All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Fund in the Required Supplementary Information section.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE (CONTINUED)

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

By the end of Fiscal Year 2025, the District had invested \$90.353 million (net accumulated depreciation/amortization of \$45.399 million) in a broad range of capital assets, including school buildings, athletic facilities, maintenance and administrative buildings, computer and audiovisual equipment, maintenance equipment, school buses, library holding, and textbooks. (More detailed information about capital assets can be found in Note 5 to the financial statements). Total depreciation/amortization expense for the year was \$3.506 million.

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total School District	
	June 30,		June 30,		June 30,	
	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
Land	\$ 2,099,473	\$ 2,099,473	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,099,473	\$ 2,099,473
Construction in progress	5,771,195	2,329,987	-	-	5,771,195	2,329,987
Buildings	74,835,548	76,898,486	-	-	74,835,548	76,898,486
Improvements, other than buildings	1,980,583	1,060,257	-	-	1,980,583	1,060,257
Equipment and furniture	5,441,115	4,819,953	198,968	228,904	5,640,083	5,048,857
Right-to-use leased equipment	26,198	12,131	-	-	26,198	12,131
Total	\$ 90,154,112	\$ 87,220,287	\$ 198,968	\$ 228,904	\$ 90,353,080	\$ 87,449,191

Long-Term Liabilities

	Total District		Total Change
	2025	Restated 2024	2024-2025
Early retirement and other compensated absences	\$ 1,391,477	\$ 1,373,237	1.33%
Revenue bonds	10,668,000	12,690,000	-15.93%
General obligation bonds	7,769,227	10,682,538	-27.27%
Net pension liability	10,424,754	13,603,994	-23.37%
Total OPEB liability	2,025,463	1,890,591	7.13%
Lease agreements	26,642	5,946	348.07%
Total	\$ 32,305,563	\$ 40,246,306	-19.73%

At year end the District had \$32.306 million in long-term obligations outstanding – a decrease of 19.73% from last year, as shown in Table A-5. (More detailed information about the District’s long-term liabilities is presented in Note 6.) Notes 7 and 8 to the financial statements explain the Pension Liability and Other Post-Employment Benefits – OPEB.

- The District’s prior year Early Retirement and Other Compensated Absences liability was restated by \$929,359 during the year, which is attributed to the adoption of GASB 101, Compensated Absences. In addition, the OPEB liability increased by \$0.135 million. The District’s advance refunding revenue bonds has a \$10.668 million year-end balance and had a balance of \$7.769 million in General Obligation Bonds.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE (CONTINUED)

Factors Bearing on the District's Future

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the District was aware of eight existing circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- Even though the District is the twenty-fifth largest in the state in terms of students, it has one of the lowest ratios of taxable property value per student. This tends to raise property tax levies per thousand dollars of valuation to the higher end. Local property tax sensitivity has developed. In order to develop an effective education budget, the District needs to rely partially on the property tax levy.
- The age of the District's older elementary schools is a concern to the District. In order to deliver a modern education program using new technology and in order to control maintenance and safety costs, new elementary schools will need to be carefully examined and either replaced or added on to and updated. In 2008 the legislature adopted a statewide one cent sales tax for school infrastructure, which replaced the county-wide one-half cent voted for the 10-year period that expired in July, 2009. This new school infrastructure funding mechanism will be in place until 2049 and will help the District provide for its long-term facility needs. The District has also completed a comprehensive building feasibility study to address these needs. The District has developed its building priority needs and will explore the options in 2023 and beyond.
- The District's primary source of revenue is the state of Iowa school aid formula. The allowable growth to schools was 2.5% for fiscal year 2025. Costs of providing a quality education program are rising faster than 1%. Teacher settlements alone over the past several years are in the 1.0% - 4.0% range. If future allowable growth increases do not keep pace with expenditures, the District will have to make the necessary re-alignments in its educational delivery system to come into line with allowable growth.
- Approximately 75.0% of the general fund budget is salaries and benefits. Iowa law requires that unsettled salary negotiations for teachers go to mandatory arbitration. Invariably, arbitrated settlements are higher than current levels of allowable growth in funding. Education budgets are then squeezed. A solution needs to be found.
- The District's unspent budget authority decreased during the 2024 fiscal year and is projected to remain stable for the 2025 fiscal year.
- One of the key elements of the state of Iowa school aid formula is certified enrollment. Enrollment has remained flat during the last five years. When enrollment drops, it means less state aid. Stability or even increases in enrollment are critical to maintaining a solid financial picture.
- During FY21 the district took action to authorize an election to ask the voters for an increase of the levy to the statutory maximum of \$1.34. The voters approved an increase to the PPEL to the statutory maximum of \$1.34 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation and will remain in effect for a period of 10 years.
- During FY18 the board of education took action to renew the levy for a period of 5 years at the statutory maximum level of 10% of the districts regular program budget. Currently the levy is funded through a mix of property tax and income surtax and stands at 10% of the regular program.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE (CONTINUED)

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Brandon Hansel, Board Treasurer/Director of Financial Services, Fort Dodge Community School District, Central Administration Building, 109 North 25th Street, Fort Dodge, Iowa, 50501 (Phone number: 515-574-5644, Fax number: 515-574-5322, or bhansel@fdschools.org).

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2025

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Assets			
Cash	\$ 46,033,668	\$ 1,354,139	\$ 47,387,807
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Current year	212,507	-	212,507
Succeeding year	19,019,095	-	19,019,095
Accounts	339,774	-	339,774
Due from other governments	2,996,287	71,183	3,067,470
Internal balances	3,273	(3,273)	-
Inventories	-	12,542	12,542
Land	2,099,473	-	2,099,473
Construction in progress	5,771,195	-	5,771,195
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization	82,283,444	198,968	82,482,412
Total assets	158,758,716	1,633,559	160,392,275
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Pension related deferred outflows	3,529,213	5,037	3,534,250
OPEB related deferred outflows	118,511	-	118,511
Total deferred outflows of resources	3,647,724	5,037	3,652,761
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	2,255,881	124,615	2,380,496
Salaries and benefits payable	4,227,002	3,917	4,230,919
Accrued interest payable	31,967	-	31,967
Due to other governments	76,675	-	76,675
Unearned revenue	-	18,162	18,162
Long-term liabilities:			
Portion due within one year:			
Early retirement	151,545	-	151,545
Lease agreements	4,790	-	4,790
Revenue bonds payable	2,064,000	-	2,064,000
General obligation bonds payable	1,755,000	-	1,755,000
Total OPEB liability	112,004	-	112,004
Portion due after one year:			
Lease agreements	21,852	-	21,852
Revenue bonds payable	8,604,000	-	8,604,000
General obligation bonds payable	6,014,227	-	6,014,227
Compensated absences	1,239,932	-	1,239,932
Net pension liability	10,408,074	16,680	10,424,754
Total OPEB liability	1,913,459	-	1,913,459
Total liabilities	38,880,408	163,374	39,021,930

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FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit A
(Continued)

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2025

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Property taxes levied for subsequent years	\$ 19,019,095	\$ -	\$ 19,019,095
Pension related deferred inflows	1,568,294	2,513	1,570,807
OPEB related deferred inflows	1,438,105	-	1,438,105
Total deferred inflows of resources	22,025,494	2,513	22,028,007
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	71,690,243	198,968	71,889,211
Restricted for:			
Categorical funding	232,595	-	232,595
Physical plant and equipment	17,653,839	-	17,653,839
Management levy purposes	2,322,256	-	2,322,256
Student activities	654,464	-	654,464
Debt service	2,262,168	-	2,262,168
Unrestricted	6,684,973	1,273,741	7,958,714
Total net position	\$ 101,500,538	\$ 1,472,709	\$ 102,973,247

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Year Ended June 30, 2025

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues	
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions
Governmental Activities:			
Instruction:			
Regular instruction	\$ 19,622,568	\$ 1,116,756	\$ 4,646,698
Special instruction	10,495,024	314,710	3,249,982
Other instruction	1,101,900	530,935	-
	<u>31,219,492</u>	<u>1,962,401</u>	<u>7,896,680</u>
Support services:			
Student	3,143,975	-	765,585
Instructional staff	1,511,537	-	297,034
Administration	5,095,358	-	671,701
Operation and maintenance of plant	8,731,806	52,709	348,453
Transportation	1,523,117	4,003	39,998
	<u>20,005,793</u>	<u>56,712</u>	<u>2,122,771</u>
Non-instructional programs	<u>6,639</u>	-	-
Other expenses:			
Long-term debt interest and fiscal charges	479,372	-	-
AEA flowthrough	1,570,630	-	1,570,630
	<u>2,050,002</u>	-	<u>1,570,630</u>
Total governmental activities	<u>53,281,926</u>	<u>2,019,113</u>	<u>11,590,081</u>

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
\$ (13,859,114)	\$ -	\$ (13,859,114)
(6,930,332)	-	(6,930,332)
(570,965)	-	(570,965)
<u>(21,360,411)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(21,360,411)</u>
(2,378,390)	-	(2,378,390)
(1,214,503)	-	(1,214,503)
(4,423,657)	-	(4,423,657)
(8,330,644)	-	(8,330,644)
(1,479,116)	-	(1,479,116)
<u>(17,826,310)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(17,826,310)</u>
<u>(6,639)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,639)</u>
(479,372)	-	(479,372)
-	-	-
<u>(479,372)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(479,372)</u>
<u>(39,672,732)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(39,672,732)</u>

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FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

Year Ended June 30, 2025

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues	
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions
Business-type Activities:			
Non-instructional programs:			
Food service operations	\$ 2,966,170	\$ 258,791	\$ 2,485,502
Total business type activities	2,966,170	258,791	2,485,502
Total	\$ 56,248,096	\$ 2,277,904	\$ 14,075,583

General Revenues:

- Property taxes, levied for:
 - General purposes
 - Debt service
 - Capital outlay
- Income surtax
- Statewide sales, services and use tax
- Unrestricted state and federal grants
- Unrestricted investment earnings
- Other
- Total general revenues

Change in net position

Net position, beginning of year, as restated

Net position, end of year

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

**Exhibit B
(Continued)**

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
\$ -	\$ (221,877)	\$ (221,877)
-	(221,877)	(221,877)
(39,672,732)	(221,877)	(39,894,609)
13,242,644	-	13,242,644
3,178,580	-	3,178,580
1,870,598	-	1,870,598
505,116	-	505,116
4,658,256	-	4,658,256
23,976,500	-	23,976,500
1,762,077	79,181	1,841,258
528,563	-	528,563
49,722,334	79,181	49,801,515
10,049,602	(142,696)	9,906,906
91,450,936	1,615,405	93,066,341
\$ 101,500,538	\$ 1,472,709	\$ 102,973,247

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
June 30, 2025**

	General	Capital Projects	Debt Service
Assets			
Cash	\$ 16,605,517	\$ 15,758,402	\$ 2,253,011
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Current year	133,002	24,202	41,124
Succeeding year	12,464,087	1,933,207	3,221,800
Accounts	37,040	-	-
Due from other funds	5,234	1,221,604	-
Due from other governments	2,229,878	758,259	-
Total assets	\$ 31,474,758	\$ 19,695,674	\$ 5,515,935
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 2,104,937	\$ 108,628	\$ -
Salaries and benefits payable	4,227,002	-	-
Due to other governments	76,675	-	-
Due to other funds	1,221,906	-	-
Total liabilities	7,630,520	108,628	-
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			
Unavailable revenues:			
Succeeding year property tax	12,464,087	1,933,207	3,221,800
Other	269,761	269,761	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	12,733,848	2,202,968	3,221,800
Fund Balances:			
Restricted for:			
Categorical funding	232,595	-	-
Debt service	-	-	2,294,135
Management levy purposes	-	-	-
Student activities	-	-	-
School infrastructure	-	10,311,069	-
Physical plant and equipment	-	7,073,009	-
Unassigned	10,877,795	-	-
Total fund balances	11,110,390	17,384,078	2,294,135
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 31,474,758	\$ 19,695,674	\$ 5,515,935

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

Exhibit C

<u>Nonmajor</u>		<u>Total</u>	
\$	3,118,993	\$	37,735,923
	14,179		212,507
	1,400,001		19,019,095
	11,313		48,353
	100		1,226,938
	8,150		2,996,287
<u>\$</u>	<u>4,552,736</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>61,239,103</u>

\$	22,711	\$	2,236,276
	-		4,227,002
	-		76,675
	1,759		1,223,665
	24,470		7,763,618

	1,400,001		19,019,095
	-		539,522
	1,400,001		19,558,617

	-		232,595
	-		2,294,135
	2,473,801		2,473,801
	654,464		654,464
	-		10,311,069
	-		7,073,009
	-		10,877,795
	3,128,265		33,916,868

<u>\$</u>	<u>4,552,736</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>61,239,103</u>
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**RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2025**

Total fund balances of governmental funds (page 31) \$ 33,916,868

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

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in governmental funds. 90,154,112

Other long-term assets are not available to pay current year expenditures and, therefore, are recognized as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds. 539,522

The Internal Service Fund net position is directly related to the governmental funds due to the types of services provided and are, therefore, included in the statement of net position under governmental activities. 8,569,561

Accrued interest payable on long-term liabilities is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported as a liability in the governmental funds. (31,967)

Pension and OPEB related deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds, as follows:

Deferred outflows of resources	\$ 3,647,724	
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>(3,006,399)</u>	641,325

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, compensated absences, lease agreements, net pension liability and total OPEB liability, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds. (32,288,883)

Net position of governmental activities (page 28) \$ 101,500,538

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

Year Ended June 30, 2025

	General	Capital Projects	Debt Service
Revenues:			
Local sources:			
Local tax	\$ 12,187,413	\$ 2,114,013	\$ 3,178,580
Tuition	1,427,275	-	-
Other	1,294,058	825,209	147,633
Intermediate sources	12,554	1,946	3,307
State sources	31,489,244	4,716,352	98,719
Federal sources	4,130,726	-	-
Total revenues	50,541,270	7,657,520	3,428,239
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	20,563,148	-	-
Special	11,202,789	-	-
Other	1,490,289	-	-
	33,256,226	-	-
Support services:			
Student	3,444,628	-	-
Instructional staff	1,533,702	-	-
Administration	5,349,269	26,642	-
Operation and maintenance of plant	4,853,193	9,850	-
Transportation	1,592,489	-	-
	16,773,281	36,492	-
Non-instructional programs	6,639	-	-
Other expenditures:			
AEA flowthrough	1,570,630	-	-
Facilities acquisition	-	5,547,402	-
Debt service:			
Principal	-	-	4,947,946
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	509,866
	1,570,630	5,547,402	5,457,812
Total expenditures	51,606,776	5,583,894	5,457,812
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(1,065,506)	2,073,626	(2,029,573)

Exhibit E

	Nonmajor		Total
\$	1,298,646	\$	18,778,652
	-		1,427,275
	614,954		2,881,854
	1,498		19,305
	44,726		36,349,041
	-		4,130,726
	1,959,824		63,586,853
	243,475		20,806,623
	-		11,202,789
	469,026		1,959,315
	712,501		33,968,727
	-		3,444,628
	53,735		1,587,437
	129,073		5,504,984
	572,052		5,435,095
	227,708		1,820,197
	982,568		17,792,341
	-		6,639
	-		1,570,630
	-		5,547,402
	-		4,947,946
	-		509,866
	-		12,575,844
	1,695,069		64,343,551
	264,755		(756,698)

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FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
Year Ended June 30, 2025**

	General	Capital Projects	Debt Service
Other financing sources (uses):			
Lease proceeds	\$ -	\$ 26,642	\$ -
Interfund transfers in	-		2,296,612
Interfund transfers out	(6,017)	(2,290,595)	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(6,017)	(2,263,953)	2,296,612
Change in fund balances	(1,071,523)	(190,327)	267,039
Fund balances, beginning of year	12,181,913	17,574,405	2,027,096
Fund balances, end of year	<u>\$ 11,110,390</u>	<u>\$ 17,384,078</u>	<u>\$ 2,294,135</u>

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

**Exhibit E
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Nonmajor	Total
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\$ -	\$ 26,642
-	2,296,612
-	(2,296,612)
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-	26,642
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264,755	(730,056)
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2,863,510	34,646,924
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\$ 3,128,265	\$ 33,916,868
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**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

Year Ended June 30, 2025

Change in fund balances - total governmental funds (page 34) \$ (730,056)

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

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. These costs are not reported in the Statement of Activities, but they are allocated over their estimated useful lives of the capital assets as depreciation/amortization expense in the Statement of Activities. The amounts of capital outlays and depreciation/amortization expenses in the year are as follows:

Expenditures for capital assets	\$ 6,424,740	
Depreciation/amortization expense	<u>(3,461,022)</u>	2,963,718

In the Statement of Activities, the loss on the disposition of capital assets is reported, whereas in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increase financial resources. (29,893)

governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Repayment of long-term liabilities is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. Current year issuances exceeded repayments, as follows:

Issued	(26,642)	
Repaid	<u>4,947,946</u>	4,921,304

Revenue not received until several months after the District's fiscal year-end is not considered available revenue and is deferred in the governmental funds. It is, however, recorded as revenue in the Statement of Activities. (255,324)

The increase in the Internal Service Fund net position reflects an overcharge to governmental activities for the services provided. Expenses in the Statement of Activities are adjusted to reflect this overcharge. 1,012,494

Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the governmental funds when due. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due. The Statement of Activities also includes the amortization of bond premiums and discounts. 30,494

The current year District IPERS contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds but are reported as a deferred outflow of resources in the Statement of Net Position. 2,574,365

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FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Exhibit F
(Continued)**

**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)**

Year Ended June 30, 2025

Change in fund balances - total governmental funds (page 34) (Continued)

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

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, as follows:

Early retirement	\$	(40,029)	
Compensated absences		21,789	
Pension expense		(473,807)	
OPEB expense		54,547	\$ (437,500)

Change in net position of governmental activities (page 30)

\$ 10,049,602

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 June 30, 2025

	Business-type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Nonmajor Enterprise Fund	Internal Service Funds
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$ 1,354,139	\$ 8,297,745
Accounts receivable	71,183	291,421
Due from other funds	227	-
Inventories	12,542	-
Total current assets	1,438,091	8,589,166
Noncurrent Assets:		
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	198,968	-
Total assets	1,637,059	8,589,166
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Pension related deferred outflows	5,037	-
Total deferred outflows of resources	5,037	-
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	124,615	19,605
Salaries and benefits payable	3,917	-
Unearned revenue	18,162	-
Due to other funds	3,500	-
Total current liabilities	150,194	19,605
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Net pension liability	16,680	-
Total noncurrent liabilities	16,680	-
Total liabilities	166,874	19,605
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Pension related deferred inflows	2,513	-
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	198,968	-
Unrestricted	1,273,741	8,569,561
Total net position	\$ 1,472,709	\$ 8,569,561

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit H

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 Year Ended June 30, 2025**

	Business-type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Nonmajor Enterprise Fund	Internal Service Funds
Operating revenues:		
Local sources:		
Charges for services	\$ 258,791	\$ 7,228,247
Operating expenses:		
Support services:		
Internal service operations:		
Benefits	-	6,608,834
	-	6,608,834
Non-instructional programs:		
Food service operations:		
Salaries and benefits	51,508	-
Purchased services	1,454,342	-
Supplies	1,415,003	-
Depreciation	45,317	-
	2,966,170	-
Total operating expenses	2,966,170	6,608,834
Operating (loss)	(2,707,379)	619,413
Non-operating revenues:		
Interest on investments	79,181	393,081
State sources	17,554	-
Federal sources	2,467,948	-
Total non-operating revenues	2,564,683	393,081
Change in net position	(142,696)	1,012,494
Net position, beginning of year	1,615,405	7,557,067
Net position, end of year	\$ 1,472,709	\$ 8,569,561

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 Year Ended June 30, 2025**

	Business-type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Nonmajor Enterprise Fund	Internal Service Funds
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Cash received from sale of lunches and breakfasts	\$ 257,781	\$ -
Cash received from miscellaneous operating activities	-	7,116,217
Cash payments to employees for services	(53,759)	-
Cash payments to suppliers for goods or services	(2,606,384)	(6,612,712)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(2,402,362)	503,505
Cash Flows from Non-capital Financing Activities:		
State grants received	17,554	-
Federal grants received	2,210,554	-
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities	2,228,108	-
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:		
Acquisition of capital assets	(15,381)	-
Net cash (used in) financing activities	(15,381)	-
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Interest on investments	79,181	393,081
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(110,454)	896,586
Cash, beginning of year	1,464,593	7,401,159
Cash, end of year	\$ 1,354,139	\$ 8,297,745

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FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Exhibit I
(Continued)**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
Year Ended June 30, 2025**

	Business-type Activities	Governmental Activities
	Nonmajor Enterprise Fund	Internal Service Funds
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (2,707,379)	\$ 619,413
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation	45,317	-
Commodities used	209,801	-
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	3,666	(112,030)
(Increase) in due from others	(227)	-
(Increase) in inventories	(3,481)	-
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	54,561	(3,878)
(Decrease) in salaries and benefits payable	(810)	-
(Decrease) in unearned revenue	(4,449)	-
Increase in due to other funds	2,080	-
(Decrease) in net pension liability	(3,726)	-
Decrease in deferred outflows of resources	2,586	-
(Decrease) in deferred inflows of resources	(301)	-
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (2,402,362)	\$ 503,505

Non-cash investing, capital and related financing activities:

During the year ended June 30, 2025, the District received \$209,801 of federal commodities.

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit J

**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
June 30, 2025**

	<u>Private Purpose Trust</u>
	<u>Scholarship</u>
Assets:	
Certificates of deposit	\$ 473,602
Total assets	<u>473,602</u>
Net Position:	
Restricted for scholarships	<u>\$ 473,602</u>

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Exhibit K

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
Year ended June 30, 2025**

	Private Purpose Trust
	Scholarship
Additions:	
Local sources:	
Gifts and contributions	\$ 139,500
Interest	9,862
Total additions	<u>149,362</u>
Deductions:	
Scholarships awarded	<u>6,350</u>
Change in net position	143,012
Net position, beginning of year	<u>330,590</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ 473,602</u>

See Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Fort Dodge Community School District is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates public schools for children in grades kindergarten through twelve and special education pre-kindergarten. Additionally, the District either operates or sponsors various adult education programs. These courses include remedial education as well as career and technical and recreational courses. The geographic area served includes the City of Fort Dodge, Iowa and agricultural territory in Webster County. The District is governed by a Board of Education whose members are elected on a non-partisan basis.

The District's financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity:

For financial reporting purposes, Fort Dodge Community School District has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The District has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the District's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the District to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the District. The District has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

Jointly Governed Organizations – The District participates in a jointly governed organization that provides services to the District but does not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The District is a member of the Webster County Assessor's Conference Board.

B. Basis of Presentation:

Government-wide Financial Statements – The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Interfund services provided and used are not eliminated in the process of consolidation. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for service.

The Statement of Net Position presents the District's nonfiduciary assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in the following categories:

Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes, and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net position consists of net position not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position is often subject to constraints imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

B. Basis of Presentation (continued):

Government-wide Financial Statements (continued) –

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

Fund Financial Statements – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental, proprietary and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds. Combining schedules are also included for the Capital Project Fund accounts.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. All general tax revenues and other revenues not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, including instructional, support and other costs.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all resources used in the acquisition and construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

The Debt Service Fund is utilized to account for property tax and other revenues to be used for the payment of interest and principal on the District's general long-term debt.

The District's non-major proprietary funds include the Enterprise, School Nutrition Fund, which is used to account for the food service operations of the District; the Internal Service, Self-funded Health Plan, which is used to account for the District's self-funded medical insurance plan; the Internal Service, Self-funded Dental Plan, which is used to account for the District's self-funded dental insurance plan; and the Internal Service, Flex Benefit Plan, which is used to account for the District's employee flexible benefits plan.

The District also reports fiduciary funds which focus on net position and changes in net position. The District's fiduciary fund includes the following:

The Private Purpose Trust Fund is used to account for assets held by the District under trust agreements which require income earned to be used to benefit individuals through scholarship awards.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting:

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

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (continued):

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments and compensated absences are recognized as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital lease agreements are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs and then general revenues.

When an expenditure is incurred in governmental funds which can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the District's policy is generally to first apply the expenditure toward restricted fund balance and then to less-restrictive classifications – committed, assigned, and then unassigned fund balances.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District's Enterprise Fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for Enterprise Funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/Net Position:

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the financial statements:

Cash and Cash Equivalents – The cash balances of most District funds are pooled and invested. Investments in non-negotiable certificates of deposit are stated at cost.

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/Net Position (continued):

Property Tax Receivable – Property tax in governmental funds is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date the tax asking is certified by the Board of Education. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the Board of Education to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the District is required to certify its budget in April of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking and budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax receivable has been recorded, the related revenue is reported as a deferred inflow of resources in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds become due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2023 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified to the County Board of Supervisors in April 2024.

Due from/to Other Funds – During the course of its operations, the District may have certain transactions between funds or pooled cash balances. To the extent that these transactions between funds had not been repaid or received as of June 30, 2025, balances of interfund amounts receivable or payable have been recorded in the fund financial statements.

Due from Other Governments – Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of Iowa, various shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments.

Inventories – Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method for purchased items and government commodities. Inventories of proprietary funds are recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased or received.

Capital Assets – Capital assets, which include property, furniture and equipment and intangibles are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost (except for intangible right-to-use lease assets, the measurement of which is discussed under “Leases” below) if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value. Acquisition value is the price that would have been paid to acquire a capital asset with equivalent service potential. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Reportable capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Land	\$ 100,000
Buildings	25,000
Improvements other than buildings	10,000
Intangibles	100,000
Furniture and equipment:	
School Nutrition Fund equipment	500
Other furniture and equipment	3,000
Right-to-use leased assets	3,000

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/ Net Position (continued):

Capital Assets (continued) – Capital assets are depreciated/amortized using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Lives (in Years)</u>
Buildings	50
Improvements other than buildings	20 - 30
Furniture and equipment	5 - 20
Right-to-use leased assets	2 - 3

Leases – Fort Dodge Community School District is the lessee for a noncancellable lease of equipment. The District has recognized a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset (lease asset) in the government-wide financial statements. The District recognizes leases with an initial, individual value of \$3,000 or more.

At the commencement of the lease, the District initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgments related to leases include how Fort Dodge Community School District determines the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease payments to present value, lease term and lease payments.

Fort Dodge Community School District uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate. When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, the District generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases.

The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments and a purchase option price that the District is reasonably certain to exercise.

The District monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability.

Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the statement of net position.

Deferred Outflows of Resources – Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net assets applicable to a future year(s) which will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Deferred outflows of resources consist of unrecognized items not yet charged to pension and OPEB expense, the unamortized portion of the net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments and contributions from the District after the measurement date but before the end of the District’s reporting period.

Salaries and Benefits Payable – Payroll and related expenditures for teachers with annual contracts corresponding to the current school year, which are payable in July and August, have been accrued as liabilities.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/Net Position (continued):

Compensated Absences – District employees accumulate a limited amount of earned by unused vacation and sick leave for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. A liability is recorded when each of the following have occurred: the leave is attributable to services already rendered, the leave accumulates and carries forward from one reporting period to the next and the leave is more likely than not to be used for time off or otherwise paid in cash or settled through noncash means. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental fund financial statements only for employees who have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2025.

Unearned Revenue – Proprietary funds defer revenue recognition in connection with resources that have been received, but not earned. Unearned revenue in governmental funds arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Unearned revenue consists of meal revenues collected for the services in the next school year.

Long-term Liabilities – In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities column in the Statement of Net Position.

Pensions – For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) and additions to/deductions from IPERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by IPERS. For this purpose, benefit payments, including refunds of employee contributions, are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value. The net pension liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund and School Nutrition Fund.

Total OPEB Liability – For purposes of measuring the total OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information has been determined based on Fort Dodge Community School District's actuary report. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The total OPEB liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund.

Deferred Inflows of Resources – Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets applicable to a future year(s) which will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources in the governmental fund financial statements represent the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources in the fund financial statements consist of receivables not collected within 60 days after year-end and succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized until the year for which it is levied.

Deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position consist of succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized until the year for which it is levied and the unrecognized items not yet charged to pension and OPEB expense.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. Assets, Deferred Outflows of Resources, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance/Net Position (continued):

Fund Balance – In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

Restricted – Amounts restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of the resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors or state or federal laws or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – Amounts which can be used only for specific purposes determined pursuant to constraints formally imposed by the Board of Education through resolution approved prior to year-end. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same action it employed to commit those amounts.

Unassigned – All general fund amounts not included in the preceding classifications, as well as any deficit fund balance of any other governmental fund.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information.

F. Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through December 22, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Events occurring after that date have not been evaluated to determine whether a change in the financial statements would be required.

Note 2. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District's deposits in banks at June 30, 2025 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to ensure there will be no loss of public funds.

The District is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Education; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The District had no investments meeting the disclosure requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 72.

Custodial Credit Risk – The District has no policy in place regarding custodial credit risk and deposits with financial institutions, however, deposits are insured by the state sinking fund, which provides for additional assessments against depositories to avoid loss of public funds.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 2. Cash and Cash Equivalents (Continued)

Interest Rate Risk – This is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The District does have a formal investment policy that limits operating fund (funds which are reasonably expected to be expended during a current budget year or within 15 months of receipts) investment maturities to 397 days or less. The District’s investments consist of certificates of deposit that have original maturities of less than 397 days.

Note 3. Due From and Due To Other Funds

The detail of interfund receivables and payables at year ended June 30, 2025 is as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General	Special Revenues, Student Activity	\$ 1,759
Internal Service Fund, Flex Benefit Plan	Internal Service Fund, Health Plan	434
General	School Nutrition Fund	3,475
School Nutrition Fund	General	227
Special Revenues, Student Activity	General	75
Special Revenues, Student Activity	School Nutrition Fund	25
Capital Projects, Physical Plant and Equipment Levy	General	1,221,604
Total		\$ 1,227,599

These receivables and payables between funds arise from timing differences involved in the reimbursement of expenses at year-end. The balances are to be repaid by June 30, 2026.

Note 4. Interfund Transfers

The detail of the interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2025 is as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer from	Amount
Debt Service	Capital Projects, Statewide Sales, Services and Use Tax	\$ 2,290,595
Debt Service	General	6,017
		\$ 2,296,612

Transfers generally move revenues from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to expend the resources.

The transfers from the General Fund and the Capital Projects Fund to the Debt Service Fund was for the retirement of bond principal and interest.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 5. Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2025 was as follows:

	Balance Beginning of Year	Increases	Decreases	Balance End of Year
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated/amortized:				
Land	\$ 2,099,473	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,099,473
Construction in progress	2,329,987	4,926,884	1,485,676	5,771,195
Total capital assets not being depreciated/amortized	4,429,460	4,926,884	1,485,676	7,870,668
Capital assets being depreciated/amortized:				
Buildings	111,412,312	624,760	49,338	111,987,734
Improvements other than buildings	1,915,414	1,057,705	-	2,973,119
Furniture and equipment	11,190,372	1,274,425	358,735	12,106,062
Right-to-use leased equipment	23,225	26,642	23,225	26,642
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized	124,541,323	2,983,532	431,298	127,093,557
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization for:				
Buildings	34,513,826	2,669,936	31,576	37,152,186
Improvements other than buildings	855,157	137,379	-	992,536
Furniture and equipment	6,370,419	653,263	358,735	6,664,947
Right-to-use leased equipment	11,094	444	11,094	444
Total accumulated depreciation/amortization	41,750,496	3,461,022	401,405	44,810,113
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized, net	82,790,827	(477,490)	29,893	82,283,444
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 87,220,287	\$ 4,449,394	\$ 1,515,569	\$ 90,154,112
Business-type activities:				
Furniture and equipment	\$ 772,564	\$ 15,381	\$ -	\$ 787,945
Less accumulated depreciation	543,660	45,317	-	588,977
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 228,904	\$ (29,936)	\$ -	\$ 198,968
Depreciation/amortization expense was charged to the following functions:				
Governmental activities:				
Instruction:				
Regular			\$	109,197
Special				9,973
Other				9,786
Support services:				
Administration				444
Operation and maintenance of plant				2,983,998
Transportation				347,624
Total governmental activities depreciation/amortization expense			\$	3,461,022
Business-type activities:				
Food service operations			\$	45,317

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 6. Long-term Liabilities

Changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2025 are summarized as follows:

	Restated Balance Beginning of Year	Additions	Reductions	Balance End of Year	Due Within One Year
Governmental activities:					
Revenue bonds	\$ 12,690,000	\$ -	\$ 2,022,000	\$ 10,668,000	\$ 2,064,000
General obligation bonds	10,755,000	-	2,920,000	7,835,000	1,755,000
Add: bond premium	173,219	-	15,989	157,230	-
Less: underwriter's discount	(245,681)	-	(22,678)	(223,003)	-
	10,682,538	-	2,913,311	7,769,227	1,755,000
Early retirement	111,516	151,545	111,516	151,545	151,545
Compensated absences	1,261,721	-	21,789	1,239,932	-
Net pension liability	13,583,588	-	3,175,514	10,408,074	-
Total OPEB liability	1,890,591	242,871	107,999	2,025,463	112,004
Lease agreements	5,946	26,642	5,946	26,642	4,790
Total	\$ 40,225,900	\$ 421,058	\$ 8,358,075	\$ 32,288,883	\$ 4,087,339
Business-type activities:					
Net pension liability	\$ 20,406	\$ -	\$ 3,726	\$ 16,680	\$ -

Early Retirement – The District offered a voluntary early retirement plan to all employees for the year ended June 30, 2025. Eligible employees must be at least age fifty-five and employees must have completed ten years of continuous service to the District. Employees must complete an application which is required to be approved by the Board of Education.

Professional support employees will receive 50% of the employee’s per diem pay rate times their unused personal illness days, up to a maximum of 150 days. Teachers will receive 50% of the employee’s per diem pay rate times the number of unused personal illness days, up to a maximum of 120 days. Custodial/maintenance will receive their applicable hourly rate times the number of contracted hours per day times the number of unused personal illness days, up to a maximum of 105 days. Secretarial employees will receive their current hourly average of all eligible employees times the number of hours worked per day times the number of unused personal illness days, up to a maximum of 120 days. An additional \$0.01 after the tenth year of employment will be added to the individual’s hourly rate for the severance, which is capped at \$0.40. Paraeducator employees will receive their current hourly average of all eligible employees times the number of unused personal illness days, up to a maximum of 120 days. The benefit of all early retirees will be placed in a non-elective 403(b) account.

At June 30, 2025, the District has obligations to seven participants with a total liability of \$151,545. Actual early retirement expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2025 totaled \$111,516.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 6. Long-term Liabilities (Continued)

General Obligation Bonds – Details of the District’s June 30, 2025 general obligation indebtedness for the \$28,460,000 bond issued May 11, 2016 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Issued Dated May 11, 2016			
	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Total
2026	2.00%	\$ 1,755,000	\$ 191,800	\$ 1,946,800
2027	2.25%	1,790,000	156,700	1,946,700
2028	2.50%	1,830,000	116,426	1,946,426
2029	2.75%	1,250,000	70,676	1,320,676
2030	3.00%	1,210,000	36,300	1,246,300
		<u>\$ 7,835,000</u>	<u>\$ 571,902</u>	<u>\$ 8,406,902</u>

During the year ended June 30, 2025, principal and interest paid were \$2,920,000 and \$255,511, respectively.

Revenue Bonds – Details of the District’s revenue bonded indebtedness at June 30, 2025 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Statewide Sales, Services and Use Tax Bond Issue of December 1, 2016			
	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Total
2026	2.12%	\$ 2,064,000	\$ 226,162	\$ 2,290,162
2027	2.12%	2,084,000	182,405	2,266,405
2028	2.12%	2,129,000	138,224	2,267,224
2029	2.12%	2,174,000	93,089	2,267,089
2030	2.12%	2,217,000	47,000	2,264,000
		<u>\$ 10,668,000</u>	<u>\$ 686,880</u>	<u>\$ 11,354,880</u>

The District has pledged future statewide sales, services and use tax revenues to repay the \$27,639,000 bond issued December 1, 2016. The bond was issued for the advanced refunding of previously issued bonds to finance the costs of construction of a new middle school. The bond is payable solely from the proceeds of the statewide sales, services and use tax revenues received by the District and are payable through 2030. The bonds are not a general obligation of the District. However, the debt is subject to the constitutional debt limitation of the District. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require nearly 49.0% of the statewide sales, services and use tax revenues. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$11,354,880. For the current year, \$2,022,000 of principal payments were made and interest payments on the bond totaled \$134,514. Total statewide sales and services tax revenues were \$4,658,256.

Lease Agreements: The District has entered into a lease agreement for equipment. The agreement requires quarterly payments of \$1,522 with an implicit interest rate of 5.20% and final payment due in May, 2030. During the year ended June 30, 2025, principal and interest paid were \$5,946 and \$72, respectively.

Year Ending June 30	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Total
2026	5.20%	\$ 4,790	\$ 1,299	\$ 6,089
2027	5.20%	5,046	1,043	6,089
2028	5.20%	5,314	775	6,089
2029	5.20%	5,597	492	6,089
2030	5.20%	5,895	194	6,089
		<u>\$ 26,642</u>	<u>\$ 3,803</u>	<u>\$ 30,445</u>

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 7. Pension Plan

Plan Description: IPERS membership is mandatory for employees of the District, except for those covered by another retirement system. Employees of the District are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS). IPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which is available to the public by mail at P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at www.ipers.org.

IPERS benefits are established under Iowa Code Chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. Chapter 97B and the administrative rules are the official plan documents. The following brief description is provided for general informational purposes only. Refer to the plan documents for more information.

Pension Benefits: A Regular member may retire at normal retirement age and receive monthly benefits without an early-retirement reduction. Normal retirement age is age 65, any time after reaching age 62 with 20 or more years of covered employment or when the member's years of service plus the member's age at the last birthday equals or exceeds 88, whichever comes first. These qualifications must be met on the member's first month of entitlement to benefits. Members cannot begin receiving retirement benefits before age 55. The formula used to calculate a Regular member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- A multiplier based on years of service.
- The member's highest five-year average salary, except members with service before June 30, 2012 will use the highest three-year average salary as of that date if it is greater than the highest five-year average salary.

If a Regular member retires before normal retirement age, the member's monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. The early-retirement reduction is calculated differently for service earned before and after July 1, 2012. For service earned before July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.25% for each month the member receives benefits before the member's earliest normal retirement age. For service earned on or after July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.50% for each month the member receives benefits before age 65.

Generally, once a member selects a benefit option, a monthly benefit is calculated and remains the same for the rest of the member's lifetime. However, to combat the effects of inflation, retirees who began receiving benefits prior to July 1990 receive a guaranteed dividend with their regular November benefit payments.

Disability and Death Benefits: A vested member who is awarded federal Social Security disability or Railroad Retirement disability benefits is eligible to claim IPERS benefits regardless of age. Disability benefits are not reduced for early retirement. If a member dies before retirement, the member's beneficiary will receive a lifetime annuity or a lump-sum payment equal to the present actuarial value of the member's accrued benefit or calculated with a set formula, whichever is greater. When a member dies after retirement, death benefits depend on the benefit option the member selected at retirement.

Contributions: Contribution rates are established by IPERS following the annual actuarial valuation which applies IPERS' Contribution Rate Funding Policy and Actuarial Amortization Method. State statute limits the amount rates can increase or decrease each year to 1 percentage point. IPERS Contribution Rate Funding Policy requires the actuarial contribution rate be determined using the "entry age normal" actuarial cost method and the actuarial assumptions and methods approved by the IPERS Investment Board. The actuarial contribution rate covers normal cost plus the unfunded actuarial liability payment based on a 30-year amortization period. The payment to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability is determined as a level percentage of payroll based on the Actuarial Amortization Method adopted by the Investment Board.

In fiscal year 2025, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 6.29% of covered payroll and the District contributed 9.44% of covered payroll, for a total rate of 15.73%.

The District's contributions to IPERS for the year ended June 30, 2025 were \$2,574,365.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 7. Pension Plan (Continued)

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions: At June 30, 2025, the District reported a liability of \$10,424,754 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions to IPERS relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2024, the District's proportion was 0.286277%, which was a decrease of 0.015118% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023.

For the year ended June 30, 2025, the District recognized pension expense of \$459,834. At June 30, 2025, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 829,506	\$ 6,476
Changes of assumptions	-	146
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on IPERS' investments	130,379	-
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and the District's proportionate share of contributions	-	1,564,185
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	2,574,365	-
Total	\$ 3,534,250	\$ 1,570,807

\$2,574,365 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2026. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

June 30,	Amount
2026	\$ (1,972,159)
2027	2,123,097
2028	(220,143)
2029	(511,205)
2030	(30,512)
Total	\$ (610,922)

There were no non-employer contributing entities at IPERS.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 7. Pension Plan (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions: The total pension liability in the June 30, 2024 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2017)	2.60% per annum.
Rates of salary increase (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25 to 16.25% average, including inflation. Rates vary by membership group.
Long-term investment rate of return (effective June 30, 2017)	7.00% compounded annually, net of investment expense, including inflation.
Wage growth (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25% per annum, based on 2.60% inflation and 0.65% real wage inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2024 valuation were based on the results of a quadrennial experience study covering the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.

Mortality rates used in the 2024 valuation were based on the PubG-2010 mortality tables with future mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2021.

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

Asset Class	Asset Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic equity	21.0 %	3.52%
International equity	13.0	5.18
Global smart beta equity	5.0	4.12
Core plus fixed income	25.5	3.04
Public credit	3.0	4.53
Cash	1.0	1.69
Private equity	17.0	8.89
Private real estate	9.0	4.25
Private credit	5.5	6.62
Total	100.0%	

Discount Rate: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.0%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and contributions from the District will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, IPERS's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 7. Pension Plan (Continued)

Sensitivity of the District’s Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate: The following presents the District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.00%, as well as what the District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1% lower (6.00%) or 1% higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (6.00)%	Discount Rate (7.00)%	1% Increase (8.00)%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 25,582,160	\$ 10,424,754	\$ (2,269,653)

IPERS’ Fiduciary Net Position: Detailed information about IPERS’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS’ website at www.ipers.org

Payables to the Pension Plan: At June 30, 2025, the District reported payables to IPERS of \$0 for legally required District contributions and \$0 for legally required employee contributions withheld from employee wages but not yet remitted to IPERS.

Note 8. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

Plan Description – The District administers a single-employer benefit plan which provides medical and prescription drug benefits for employees, retirees and their spouses. Group insurance benefits are established under Iowa Code Chapter 509A.13. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

OPEB Benefits – Individuals who are employed by the District and are eligible to participate in the group health plan are eligible to continue healthcare benefits upon retirement. Retirees under age 65 pay the same premium for the medical and prescription drug benefits as active employees, which results in an implicit rate subsidy and an OPEB liability.

Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement. At June 30, 2025, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	12
Active employees	517
	<u>529</u>

Total OPEB Liability – The District’s total OPEB liability of \$2,025,463 was measured as of June 30, 2025 and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 8. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

Actuarial Assumptions – The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2025 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and the entry age normal actuarial cost method, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2025)	2.50% per annum.
Rates of salary increase (effective June 30, 2025)	3.25% per annum, including inflation.
Discount rate (effective June 30, 2025)	3.97% compounded annually, including inflation.
Healthcare cost trend rate (effective June 30, 2025)	7.60% initial rate decreasing gradually to an ultimate rate of 3.90%.

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.97% which reflects the index rate for 20-year tax-exempt municipal bonds (Fidelity 20-Year Municipal GO AA Index) as of the measurement date.

Mortality rates are from the Pub-2010 General mortality tables with projected mortality improvements based on Scale MP-2021. Annual retirement probabilities are based on varying rates by age and turnover probabilities mirror those used by IPERS.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	<u>Total OPEB Liability</u>
Total OPEB liability beginning of year	\$ 1,890,591
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	165,260
Interest	77,611
Changes in assumptions	(17,601)
Benefit payments	(90,398)
Net changes	<u>134,872</u>
Total OPEB liability end of year	<u>\$ 2,025,463</u>

Changes of assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.86% in fiscal year 2024 to 3.97% in fiscal year 2025.

Sensitivity of the District’s Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower (2.97%) or 1% higher (4.97%) than the current discount rate.

	<u>1% Decrease (2.97)%</u>	<u>Discount Rate (3.97)%</u>	<u>1% Increase (4.97)%</u>
Total OPEB liability	\$ 2,190,381	\$ 2,025,463	\$ 1,871,763

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 8. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

Sensitivity of the District’s Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates – The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District as well as what the District’s total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare trend rates that are 1% lower (6.60%) or 1% higher (8.60%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates.

	1% Decrease (6.60)%	Healthcare Cost Trend Rate (7.60)%	1% Increase (8.60)%
Total OPEB liability	\$ 1,778,247	\$ 2,025,463	\$ 2,322,506

OPEB Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to OPEB and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB – For the year ended June 30, 2025, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$35,851. At June 30, 2025, the District reported deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following resources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual liability	\$ 40,228	\$ 645,266
Change of assumptions	78,283	792,839
Total	\$ 118,511	\$ 1,438,105

The amount reported as deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized as OPEB expense as follows:

Year ending	Amount
2026	\$ (207,020)
2027	(199,842)
2028	(192,224)
2029	(189,626)
2030	(165,335)
Thereafter	(365,547)
	<u>\$ (1,319,594)</u>

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 9. Risk Management

Self-Funded Health Plan – Effective July 1, 2014, the District began a self-insurance program for hospitalization and medical coverage for its employees. The District limits its losses through the use of stop-loss policies from insurers. Specific individual losses for claims are limited to \$125,000 per year. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the District paid \$6,291,879 under the program, which includes health claims, premiums and administrative costs.

The District is required to have an annual actuarial study of the Self-Funded Health Insurance Plan as outlined in section 509A(15)(1)(d) of the Code of Iowa and the district has no recorded liability for incurred but unreported claims.

The Internal Service Fund, Self-Funded Health Plan reserve was \$7,867,547 at June 30, 2025.

Self-Funded Dental Plan – The District began a self-funded insurance plan during the year ended June 30, 2000. The plan is funded by contributions from the District and is administered through a service agreement with Delta Dental Plan of Iowa. The agreement is not subject to automatic renewal provisions. The District assumes liability for claims up to the current coverage limitation of \$1,000.

Monthly payments of service fees and plan contributions to the Fort Dodge Community School District Employee Group Dental Plan are recorded as expenditures from the General and School Nutrition funds. Under the administrative services agreement, weekly payments of service fees and claims processed are paid to Delta Dental Plan of Iowa from the Fort Dodge Community School District Employee Group Dental Plan Fund as an Internal Service Fund. The District's contributions to the fund for the year ended June 30, 2025 were \$286,978 and the total paid for claims was \$235,884.

The District is not required to have an annual actuarial study of the Self-Funded Dental Insurance Plan as outlined in §509A(15)(1)(d) of the Code of Iowa and the District has not recorded liability for incurred but unreported claims.

The Internal Service Fund, Self-Funded Dental Plan reserve was \$603,027 at June 30, 2025.

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft; damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The District assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Note 10. Area Education Agency

The District is required by the Code of Iowa to budget for its share of special education support, media and educational services provided through the Area Education Agency. The District's actual amount for this purpose totaled \$1,570,630 for the year ended June 30, 2025 and is recorded in the General Fund by making a memorandum adjusting entry to the cash basis financial statements.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 11. Tax Abatement

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 77 defines tax abatements as a reduction in tax revenues that results from an agreement between one or more governments and an individual or entity in which (a) one or more governments promise to forgo tax revenues to which they are otherwise entitled and (b) the individual or entity promises to take a specific action after the agreement has been entered into that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the governments or the citizens of those governments.

Tax Abatements of Other Entities – Other entities within the District provide tax abatements for urban renewal and economic development projects pursuant to Chapters 15 and 403 of the Code of Iowa.

Property tax revenues of the District were reduced by the following amounts for the year ended June 30, 2025 under agreements entered into by the following entities:

Entity	Tax Abatement Program	Amount of Tax Abated
City of Fort Dodge	Urban renewal and economic development projects	\$ 227,865

The State of Iowa reimburses the District an amount equivalent to the increment of valuation on which property tax is divided times \$5.40 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation. For the year ended June 30, 2025, this reimbursement amounted to \$91,536.

Note 12. Categorical Funding

In accordance with Iowa Administrative Code Section 98.1, categorical funding is financial support from the state and federal governments targeted for particular categories of students, special programs, or special purposes. This support is in addition to school district general purpose revenue, for purposes beyond the basic educational program and most often has restrictions on its use. Any portion of categorical funding provided by the state that is not expended by the end of the fiscal year must be carried forward as a restricted fund balance.

The District’s fund balance restricted for categorical funding at June 30, 2025 is comprised of the following programs:

Program	Amount
Weighted English learners	\$ 52
Four-year-old preschool state aid	81,013
Gifted and talented program	141,882
Professional development supplement	9,648
	\$ 232,595

Note 13. Construction Commitments

The District has entered into contracts totaling \$7,004,981 for Senior High pool roof replacement, District parking lot and sidewalk repairs and a new stadium fieldhouse. As of June 30, 2025, costs of \$5,771,195 had been incurred against the contracts. The balance of \$1,233,786 remaining at June 30, 2025 will be paid as work on the project progresses.

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 14. Change in Area Education Agency Funding

The Governor signed House File 2612 on March 27, 2024, which changes the percentage of educational and media services funding generated through local property taxes by Districts which flow through to each Area Education Agency (AEA) beginning July 1, 2024. For fiscal year 2026, 100% of the educational and media services funds generated by Districts will be received directly by the District and none will flow through to the AEAs. Also, for fiscal year 2026, Districts will flow through 90% (instead of 100%) of special education support services funds to AEAs, who will code the funds as a combination of state aid and property taxes.

Note 15. Restatement

The District implemented GASB Statement No. 101, Compensated Absences, which required the District to restate net position as of June 30, 2025, as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Net position June 30, 2025, as previously reported	\$ 92,380,295
Compensated absences previously reported	332,362
Compensated absences liability, change in accounting principle	<u>(1,261,721)</u>
Net position June 30, 2024, as restated	<u><u>\$ 91,450,936</u></u>

Note 16. Subsequent Events

On November 4, 2025, voters approved extending the District's borrowing authority, which will allow for a \$42 million general obligation bond. The bond will be used for projects at Fort Dodge Senior High and the construction of a new fine arts and support buildings.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES
AND CHANGES IN BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL -
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AND PROPRIETARY FUND
Required Supplementary Information
Year Ended June 30, 2025**

	Governmental Funds Actual	Proprietary Fund Actual	Total Actual
Revenues:			
Local sources	\$ 23,087,781	\$ 337,972	\$ 23,425,753
Intermediate sources	19,305	-	19,305
State sources	36,349,041	17,554	36,366,595
Federal sources	4,130,726	2,467,948	6,598,674
Total revenues	63,586,853	2,823,474	66,410,327
Expenditures/Expenses:			
Instruction	33,968,727	-	33,968,727
Support services	17,792,341	-	17,792,341
Non-instructional programs	6,639	2,966,170	2,972,809
Other expenditures	12,575,844	-	12,575,844
Total expenditures/expenses	64,343,551	2,966,170	67,309,721
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures/expenses	(756,698)	(142,696)	(899,394)
Other Financing Sources (Uses), net	26,642	-	26,642
Change in balances	(730,056)	(142,696)	(872,752)
Balances, beginning of year	34,646,924	1,615,405	36,262,329
Balances, end of year	<u>\$ 33,916,868</u>	<u>\$ 1,472,709</u>	<u>\$ 35,389,577</u>

See Notes to Required Supplementary Information.

		Budget		Final to Actual
		Original	Final	Variance
\$	27,749,594	\$	27,749,594	\$ (4,323,841)
	11,293		11,293	8,012
	31,051,605		31,051,605	5,314,990
	6,306,221		6,306,221	292,453
	65,118,713		65,118,713	1,291,614
	32,343,878		34,651,781	683,054
	17,970,994		19,196,194	1,403,853
	3,016,345		3,219,506	246,697
	13,565,509		19,656,574	7,080,730
	66,896,726		76,724,055	9,414,334
	(1,778,013)		(11,605,342)	10,705,948
	2,000		2,000	24,642
	(1,776,013)		(11,603,342)	10,730,590
	31,036,103		36,262,329	-
\$	29,260,090	\$	24,658,987	\$ 10,730,590

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System
For the Last Ten Years*
(In Thousands)

Required Supplementary Information

	2025	2024	2023	2022
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.2862770%	0.3013957%	0.3372762%	(0.1339684)%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 10,425	\$ 13,604	\$ 12,743	\$ 462
District's covered payroll	\$ 26,549	\$ 26,549	\$ 27,211	\$ 26,765
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	39.27%	51.24%	46.83%	1.73%
IPERS' net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	92.30%	90.13%	91.40%	100.81%

* In accordance with GASB Statement No. 68, the amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30 of the preceding year.

See Notes to Required Supplementary Information.

2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
0.3360616%	0.3637012%	0.3617396%	0.3511985%	0.3413573%	0.3386837%
\$ 23,607	\$ 21,061	\$ 22,892	\$ 23,394	\$ 21,483	\$ 16,733
\$ 26,691	\$ 27,609	\$ 27,193	\$ 26,215	\$ 24,467	\$ 23,325
88.45%	76.28%	84.18%	89.24%	87.80%	71.74%
82.90%	85.45%	83.62%	82.21%	81.82%	85.19%

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS
Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System
For the Last Ten Years
(In Thousands)

Required Supplementary Information

	2025	2024	2023	2022
Statutorily required contribution	\$ 2,574	\$ 2,506	\$ 2,506	\$ 2,566
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	(2,574)	(2,506)	(2,506)	(2,566)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered payroll	\$ 27,271	\$ 26,549	\$ 26,549	\$ 27,211
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	9.44%	9.44%	9.44%	9.44%

See Notes to Required Supplementary Information.

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
\$	2,527	\$ 2,520	\$ 2,606	\$ 2,428	\$ 2,341	\$ 2,185
	(2,527)	(2,520)	(2,606)	(2,428)	(2,341)	(2,185)
\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$	26,765	\$ 26,691	\$ 27,609	\$ 27,193	\$ 26,215	\$ 24,467
	9.44%	9.44%	9.44%	8.93%	8.93%	8.93%

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS**

For the Last Eight Years

Required Supplementary Information

	2025	2024	2023
Service cost	\$ 165,260	\$ 175,887	\$ 226,420
Interest cost	77,611	86,244	48,796
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	(74,007)	-
Changes in assumptions	(17,601)	(400,669)	(314,406)
Benefit payments	(90,398)	(116,440)	(112,586)
Net change in total OPEB liability	134,872	(328,985)	(151,776)
Total OPEB liability beginning of year	1,890,591	2,219,576	2,371,352
Total OPEB liability end of year	\$ 2,025,463	\$ 1,890,591	\$ 2,219,576
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 27,386,350	\$ 25,891,167	\$ 28,703,323
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	7.40%	7.30%	7.73%

Note: GASB Statement No. 75 requires ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full ten-year trend is compiled, the District will present information for those years for which information is available.

See Notes to Required Supplementary Information.

	2022		2021		2020		2019		2018
\$	306,756	\$	256,727	\$	253,097	\$	240,380	\$	250,706
	83,624		94,811		112,401		103,030		82,436
	(956,237)		-		101,638		-		-
	(96,104)		157,673		(372,826)		(13,367)		(133,552)
	(146,316)		(203,932)		(143,744)		(119,938)		(116,709)
	(808,277)		305,279		(49,434)		210,105		82,881
	3,179,629		2,874,350		2,923,784		2,713,679		2,630,798
\$	2,371,352	\$	3,179,629	\$	2,874,350	\$	2,923,784	\$	2,713,679
\$	22,330,948	\$	27,030,095	\$	23,699,763	\$	24,988,127	\$	24,894,376
	10.62%		11.76%		12.13%		11.70%		10.90%

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION Year Ended June 30, 2025

Note 1. Budgets and Budgetary Information

This budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Board of Education annually adopts a budget following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Private Purpose Trust and Custodial funds. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. The District's budget is prepared on a GAAP basis.

Formal and legal budgetary control for the certified budget is based upon four major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund. These four functions are instruction, support services, non-instructional programs and other expenditures. Although the budget document presents function expenditures or expenses by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. The Code of Iowa also provides District expenditures in the General Fund may not exceed the amount authorized by the school finance formula. During the year, the District adopted one budget amendment increasing budgeted expenditures by \$9,827,329.

Note 2. Iowa Public Employee's Retirement System Pension Liability

Changes of benefit terms:

There are no significant changes in benefit terms.

Changes of assumptions:

The 2022 valuation incorporated the following refinements after a quadrennial experience study:

- Changed mortality assumptions to the PubG-2010 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2021.
- Adjusted retirement rates for Regular members.
- Lowered disability rates for Regular members.
- Adjusted termination rates for all membership groups.

The 2018 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a demographic assumption study dated June 28, 2018:

- Changed mortality assumptions to the RP-2014 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2017.
- Adjusted retirement rates.
- Lowered disability rates.
- Adjusted the probability of a vested Regular member electing to receive a deferred benefit.
- Adjusted the merit component of the salary increase assumption.

The 2017 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of an experience study dated March 24, 2017:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.00% to 2.60%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 3.75% to 3.50% per year.
- Decreased the discount rate from 7.50% to 7.00%.
- Decreased the wage growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.
- Decreased the payroll growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.

NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (CONTINUED)
Year Ended June 30, 2025

Note 3. Notes to Schedule of Changes in the District's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 75.

Changes in benefit terms:

There were no significant changes in benefit terms.

Changes in assumptions:

There were no significant changes in assumptions.

Changes in assumptions and other inputs reflect the effects of changes in the discount rate each period. The following are the discount rates used in each period:

Year ended June 30, 2025	3.97%
Year ended June 30, 2024	3.86%
Year ended June 30, 2023	3.69%
Year ended June 30, 2022	1.92%
Year ended June 30, 2021	2.45%
Year ended June 30, 2020	3.13%
Year ended June 30, 2019	3.62%
Year ended June 30, 2018	3.56%
Year ended June 30, 2017	2.92%

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**OTHER COMBINING AND
INDIVIDUAL FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
 NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 June 30, 2025

	Special Revenue		
	Student Activity	Management Levy	Total
Assets			
Cash	\$ 656,870	\$ 2,462,123	\$ 3,118,993
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Current year	-	14,179	14,179
Succeeding year	-	1,400,001	1,400,001
Accounts	11,313	-	11,313
Due from other governments	8,150	-	8,150
Due from other funds	100	-	100
Total assets	\$ 676,433	\$ 3,876,303	\$ 4,552,736
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 20,210	\$ 2,501	\$ 22,711
Due to other funds	1,759	-	1,759
Total liabilities	21,969	2,501	24,470
Deferred Inflows of Resources:			
Unavailable revenues:			
Succeeding year property tax	-	1,400,001	1,400,001
Total deferred inflows of resources	-	1,400,001	1,400,001
Fund balances:			
Restricted for:			
Student activities	654,464	-	654,464
Management levy	-	2,473,801	2,473,801
Total fund balances	654,464	2,473,801	3,128,265
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 676,433	\$ 3,876,303	\$ 4,552,736

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
Year Ended June 30, 2025

	Special Revenue		
	Student Activity	Management Levy	Total
Revenues:			
Local sources:			
Local tax	\$ -	\$ 1,298,646	\$ 1,298,646
Other	530,935	84,019	614,954
Intermediate sources	-	1,498	1,498
State sources	-	44,726	44,726
Total revenues	530,935	1,428,889	1,959,824
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular	-	243,475	243,475
Other	469,026	-	469,026
	469,026	243,475	712,501
Support services:			
Instructional staff	-	53,735	53,735
Administration	-	129,073	129,073
Operation and maintenance of plant	-	572,052	572,052
Transportation	-	227,708	227,708
	-	982,568	982,568
Total expenditures	469,026	1,226,043	1,695,069
Change in fund balances	61,909	202,846	264,755
Fund balances, beginning of year	592,555	2,270,955	2,863,510
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 654,464	\$ 2,473,801	\$ 3,128,265

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND ACCOUNTS
 June 30, 2025

	Capital Projects		
	Statewide Sales, Services and Use Tax	Physical Plant and Equipment Levy	Total
Assets			
Cash	\$ 9,849,782	\$ 5,908,620	\$ 15,758,402
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Current year	-	24,202	24,202
Succeeding year	-	1,933,207	1,933,207
Due from other funds	-	1,221,604	1,221,604
Due from other governments	488,498	269,761	758,259
Total assets	\$ 10,338,280	\$ 9,357,394	\$ 19,695,674
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 27,211	\$ 81,417	\$ 108,628
Total liabilities	27,211	81,417	108,628
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Unavailable revenues:			
Succeeding year property tax	-	1,933,207	1,933,207
Other	-	269,761	269,761
Total deferred inflows of resources	-	2,202,968	2,202,968
Fund Balances:			
Restricted for:			
School infrastructure	10,311,069	-	10,311,069
Physical plant and equipment	-	7,073,009	7,073,009
Total fund balances	10,311,069	7,073,009	17,384,078
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 10,338,280	\$ 9,357,394	\$ 19,695,674

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND ACCOUNTS
Year Ended June 30, 2025

	Capital Projects		
	Statewide Sales, Services and Use Tax	Physical Plant and Equipment Levy	Total
Revenues:			
Local sources:			
Local tax	\$ -	\$ 2,114,013	\$ 2,114,013
Other	434,382	390,827	825,209
Intermediate sources	-	1,946	1,946
State sources	4,658,256	58,096	4,716,352
Total revenues	5,092,638	2,564,882	7,657,520
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Support services:			
Administration	-	26,642	26,642
Operations and maintenance of plant	-	9,850	9,850
Other expenditures:			
Facilities acquisition	1,521,887	4,025,515	5,547,402
Total expenditures	1,521,887	4,062,007	5,583,894
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	3,570,751	(1,497,125)	2,073,626
Other financing sources (uses):			
Lease proceeds	-	26,642	26,642
Interfund transfers out	(2,290,595)	-	(2,290,595)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(2,290,595)	26,642	(2,263,953)
Change in fund balances	1,280,156	(1,470,483)	(190,327)
Fund balances, beginning of year	9,030,913	8,543,492	17,574,405
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 10,311,069	\$ 7,073,009	\$ 17,384,078

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
June 30, 2025**

	Self-funded Health Plan	Self-funded Dental Plan	Flex Benefit Plan	Total
Assets				
Cash	\$ 7,585,244	\$ 613,514	\$ 98,987	\$ 8,297,745
Receivables:				
Interfund *	-	434	-	434
Other	291,421	-	-	291,421
Total assets	\$ 7,876,665	\$ 613,948	\$ 98,987	\$ 8,589,600
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 8,684	\$ 10,921	\$ -	\$ 19,605
Interfund payable *	434	-	-	434
	9,118	10,921	-	20,039
Net Position				
Unrestricted	7,867,547	603,027	98,987	8,569,561
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 7,876,665	\$ 613,948	\$ 98,987	\$ 8,589,600

* These amounts have been removed from the face of the basic financial statements.

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
Year Ended June 30, 2025**

	Self-funded Health Plan	Self-funded Dental Plan	Flex Benefit Plan	Total
Operating Revenues:				
Local sources:				
Insurance contributions	\$ 6,878,850	\$ 286,978	\$ -	\$ 7,165,828
Flex contributions	-	-	62,419	62,419
Total operating revenues	6,878,850	286,978	62,419	7,228,247
Operating Expenses:				
Support services:				
Premium and administration costs	6,291,879	275,188	-	6,567,067
Flex benefits	-	-	41,767	41,767
Total operating expenses	6,291,879	275,188	41,767	6,608,834
Operating income (loss)	586,971	11,790	20,652	619,413
Non-operating Revenues:				
Interest	360,423	28,647	4,011	393,081
Change in net position	947,394	40,437	24,663	1,012,494
Net position, beginning of year	6,920,153	562,590	74,324	7,557,067
Net position, end of year	\$ 7,867,547	\$ 603,027	\$ 98,987	\$ 8,569,561

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
Year Ended June 30, 2025**

	Self-funded Health Plan	Self-funded Dental Plan	Flex Benefit Plan	Total
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:				
Cash received from contributions	\$ 6,766,820	\$ 286,978	\$ 62,419	\$ 7,116,217
Cash payments for claims	-	-	(41,767)	(41,767)
Cash payments for services	(6,289,852)	(281,093)	-	(6,570,945)
Net cash provided by operating activities	476,968	5,885	20,652	503,505
Cash Flows from Non-capital Financing Activities:				
Repayment of intrafund receivable	-	42	-	42
Repayment of intrafund payable	(42)	-	-	(42)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(42)	42	-	-
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Interest on investments	360,423	28,647	4,011	393,081
Net cash provided by investing activities	360,423	28,647	4,011	393,081
Net increase in cash	837,349	34,574	24,663	896,586
Cash, beginning of year	6,747,895	578,940	74,324	7,401,159
Cash, end of year	<u>\$ 7,585,244</u>	<u>\$ 613,514</u>	<u>\$ 98,987</u>	<u>\$ 8,297,745</u>
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Operating income	\$ 586,971	\$ 11,790	\$ 20,652	\$ 619,413
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
(Increase) in other receivables	(112,030)	-	-	(112,030)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	2,027	(5,905)	-	(3,878)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 476,968</u>	<u>\$ 5,885</u>	<u>\$ 20,652</u>	<u>\$ 503,505</u>

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATISTICAL SECTION

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATISTICAL SECTION (Unaudited)

The statistical section of the District's Annual Comprehensive financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information presented in the financial statements, note disclosures and required supplementary information say about the District's overall financial health.

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Fort Dodge Community School District

Net Position by Component
Last Ten Fiscal Years*
(Accrual basis of accounting)
(Unaudited)

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Governmental activities:				
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 24,359,841	\$ 12,559,718	\$ 25,872,298	\$ 29,352,678
Restricted	14,528,224	28,401,147	16,897,341	17,314,262
Unrestricted	(8,374,707)	(9,282,797)	(7,426,256)	(8,384,538)
Total governmental activities				
net position	<u>\$ 30,513,358</u>	<u>\$ 31,678,068</u>	<u>\$ 35,343,383</u>	<u>\$ 38,282,402</u>
Business-type activities:				
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 185,653	\$ 173,341	\$ 157,480	\$ 148,838
Unrestricted	651,023	727,997	801,487	822,762
Total business-type activities				
net position	<u>\$ 836,676</u>	<u>\$ 901,338</u>	<u>\$ 958,967</u>	<u>\$ 971,600</u>
Primary government:				
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 24,545,494	\$ 12,733,059	\$ 26,029,778	\$ 29,501,516
Restricted	14,528,224	28,401,147	16,897,341	17,314,262
Unrestricted	(7,723,684)	(8,554,800)	(6,624,769)	(7,561,776)
Total primary government				
net position	<u>\$ 31,350,034</u>	<u>\$ 32,579,406</u>	<u>\$ 36,302,350</u>	<u>\$ 39,254,002</u>

Statistic 1

Fiscal Year		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
\$		33,062,591	\$ 45,264,994	\$ 53,770,263	\$ 59,556,267	\$ 63,841,803	\$ 71,690,243
		16,685,212	12,771,300	17,616,484	20,053,548	23,191,314	23,125,322
		(7,282,922)	(7,350,445)	(1,693,636)	2,851,816	5,347,178	6,684,973
\$		42,464,881	\$ 50,685,849	\$ 69,693,111	\$ 82,461,631	\$ 92,380,295	\$ 101,500,538
\$		178,525	\$ 171,144	\$ 214,985	\$ 258,983	\$ 228,904	\$ 198,968
		920,673	1,026,819	1,445,285	1,536,721	1,386,501	1,273,741
\$		1,099,198	\$ 1,197,963	\$ 1,660,270	\$ 1,795,704	\$ 1,615,405	\$ 1,472,709
\$		33,241,116	\$ 45,436,138	\$ 53,985,248	\$ 59,815,250	\$ 64,070,707	\$ 71,889,211
		16,685,212	12,771,300	17,616,484	20,053,548	23,191,314	23,125,322
		(6,362,249)	(6,323,626)	(248,351)	4,388,537	6,733,679	7,958,714
\$		43,564,079	\$ 51,883,812	\$ 71,353,381	\$ 84,257,335	\$ 93,995,700	\$ 102,973,247

Fort Dodge Community School District

**Expenses, Program Revenues and Net (Expense) Revenue
Last Ten Fiscal Years*
(Accrual basis of accounting)
(Unaudited)**

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Expenses:				
Governmental activities:				
Instruction	\$ 27,043,073	\$ 28,985,117	\$ 28,079,854	\$ 31,234,165
Support services:				
Student services	2,459,382	2,621,759	2,560,115	3,041,680
Instructional services	2,782,257	3,668,642	3,119,830	3,597,064
Administration services	4,240,101	4,826,296	4,539,496	5,156,407
Operation and maintenance of plant	4,929,476	5,318,862	7,427,072	6,565,857
Pupil transportation services	1,303,771	1,317,622	1,252,096	1,400,658
Noninstructional programs	4,690	9,405	18,912	-
Long-term debt interest and fiscal charges	1,376,656	4,085,426	1,168,288	1,099,713
AEA flowthrough	1,748,769	1,773,733	1,819,717	1,870,677
Total governmental activities expenses	45,888,175	52,606,862	49,985,380	53,966,221
Business-type activities, nutrition	2,129,788	2,248,630	2,332,330	2,393,502
Total primary government expenses	\$ 48,017,963	\$ 54,855,492	\$ 52,317,710	\$ 56,359,723
Program revenues:				
Governmental activities:				
Charges for services:				
Instruction	\$ 2,108,560	\$ 1,905,678	\$ 2,083,216	\$ 2,308,669
Support services	-	216,955	324,133	225,871
Operating grants and contributions	10,174,856	9,973,049	10,892,582	10,724,443
Total governmental activities program revenues	12,283,416	12,095,682	13,299,931	13,258,983
Business-type activities:				
Charges for services, nutrition	724,307	764,012	794,914	798,426
Operating grants and contributions	1,527,074	1,545,778	1,586,505	1,591,237
Total business-type program revenues	2,251,381	2,309,790	2,381,419	2,389,663
Total primary government program revenues	\$ 14,534,797	\$ 14,405,472	\$ 15,681,350	\$ 15,648,646
Net (expense) revenue:				
Governmental activities	\$ (33,604,759)	\$ (40,511,180)	\$ (36,685,449)	\$ (40,707,238)
Business-type activities	121,593	61,160	49,089	(3,839)
Total primary government net expense	\$ (33,483,166)	\$ (40,450,020)	\$ (36,636,360)	\$ (40,711,077)

Statistic 2

Fiscal Year		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
\$	32,139,149	\$ 32,522,560	\$ 28,960,731	\$ 29,050,647	\$ 30,762,197	\$	31,219,492
	2,455,475	2,907,037	2,706,325	2,550,305	3,173,709		3,143,975
	1,380,753	1,696,260	1,448,817	1,464,481	1,499,156		1,511,537
	4,982,858	5,317,458	4,744,304	5,240,731	5,112,136		5,095,358
	6,527,061	6,014,743	7,763,025	7,535,347	7,797,508		8,731,806
	1,821,629	1,502,350	1,454,352	1,608,983	1,612,345		1,523,117
	9,095	13,775	10,056	12,806	2,295		6,639
	1,247,301	939,489	814,370	746,455	559,502		479,372
	1,851,253	1,876,271	1,909,673	1,911,920	1,861,501		1,570,630
	52,414,574	52,789,943	49,811,653	50,121,675	52,380,349		53,281,926
	1,989,685	2,031,477	2,662,026	2,856,289	2,909,315		2,966,170
\$	54,404,259	\$ 54,821,420	\$ 52,473,679	\$ 52,977,964	\$ 55,289,664	\$	56,248,096
\$	1,903,341	\$ 1,718,279	\$ 1,677,089	\$ 2,001,779	\$ 2,151,750	\$	1,962,401
	162,619	69,222	75,555	75,555	106,265		56,712
	10,223,431	12,228,724	19,545,849	12,239,248	10,295,999		11,590,081
	12,289,391	14,016,225	21,298,493	14,316,582	12,554,014		13,609,194
	562,246	145,384	157,480	452,232	230,634		258,791
	1,536,528	1,979,193	2,961,664	2,472,987	2,407,793		2,485,502
	2,098,774	2,124,577	3,119,144	2,925,219	2,638,427		2,744,293
\$	14,388,165	\$ 16,140,802	\$ 24,417,637	\$ 17,241,801	\$ 15,192,441	\$	16,353,487
\$	(40,125,183)	\$ (38,773,718)	\$ (28,513,160)	\$ (35,793,808)	\$ (39,826,335)	\$	(39,672,732)
	109,089	93,100	457,118	68,930	(270,888)		(221,877)
\$	(40,016,094)	\$ (38,680,618)	\$ (28,056,042)	\$ (35,724,878)	\$ (40,097,223)	\$	(39,894,609)

Fort Dodge Community School District

**General Revenues and Total Change in Net Position
Last Ten Fiscal Years*
(Accrual basis of accounting)
(Unaudited)**

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Net (expense) revenue:				
Governmental activities	\$ (33,604,759)	\$ (40,511,180)	\$ (36,685,449)	\$ (40,707,238)
Business-type activities	121,593	61,160	49,089	(3,839)
Total primary government net expense	(33,483,166)	(40,450,020)	(36,636,360)	(40,711,077)
General revenues and other changes in net position:				
Governmental activities:				
Taxes:				
Property taxes levied for general purposes	12,473,875	12,069,742	12,233,281	12,498,211
Property taxes levied for capital outlay	1,345,968	1,643,393	1,681,143	1,775,384
Property taxes levied debt service	-	2,126,863	2,369,046	2,728,477
Income surtax	461,409	471,423	463,130	465,940
Statewide sales, services and use tax	3,594,583	3,606,472	3,456,958	3,891,741
Unrestricted grants and contributions	20,562,490	21,118,180	20,894,419	21,597,114
Unrestricted Investment earnings	94,708	166,545	222,869	487,328
Other	924,701	473,272	320,409	202,062
Total governmental activities	39,457,734	41,675,890	41,641,255	43,646,257
Business-type activities, investment earnings	1,942	3,502	8,540	16,472
Total primary government	39,459,676	41,679,392	41,649,795	43,662,729
Change in net position:				
Governmental activities	5,852,975	1,164,710	4,955,806	2,939,019
Business-type activities	123,535	64,662	57,629	12,633
Total primary government	\$ 5,976,510	\$ 1,229,372	\$ 5,013,435	\$ 2,951,652

Statistic 3

Fiscal Year		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025				
\$	(40,125,183)	\$	(38,773,718)	\$	(28,513,160)	\$	(35,793,808)	\$	(39,826,335)	\$	(39,672,732)
	109,089		93,100		457,118		68,930		(270,888)		(221,877)
	(40,016,094)		(38,680,618)		(28,056,042)		(35,724,878)		(40,097,223)		(39,894,609)
	13,362,476		13,825,837		13,682,976		13,897,503		13,791,739		13,242,644
	1,879,866		1,738,516		1,776,246		1,849,812		1,792,535		1,870,598
	2,694,287		3,228,785		3,261,701		3,193,468		2,783,195		3,178,580
	476,734		509,382		471,628		547,178		619,789		505,116
	3,798,154		3,662,295		4,423,993		5,007,898		4,691,125		4,658,256
	21,222,166		21,463,106		22,087,657		22,815,959		23,304,452		23,976,500
	433,844		113,392		89,607		1,127,552		2,420,670		1,762,077
	440,135		2,453,373		1,726,614		122,958		341,494		528,563
	44,307,662		46,994,686		47,520,422		48,562,328		49,744,999		49,722,334
	18,509		5,665		5,189		66,504		90,589		79,181
	44,326,171		47,000,351		47,525,611		48,628,832		49,835,588		49,801,515
	4,182,479		8,220,968		19,007,262		12,768,520		9,918,664		10,049,602
	127,598		98,765		462,307		135,434		(180,299)		(142,696)
\$	4,310,077	\$	8,319,733	\$	19,469,569	\$	12,903,954	\$	9,738,365	\$	9,906,906

Fort Dodge Community School District

**Fund Balances, Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Modified accrual basis of accounting)
(Unaudited)**

	2016	2017	2018	2019
General fund:				
Restricted	\$ 1,381,265	\$ 1,380,427	\$ 1,249,992	\$ 1,069,811
Unrestricted	9,095,769	8,636,511	8,658,586	8,641,626
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Total general fund	\$ 10,477,034	\$ 10,016,938	\$ 9,908,578	\$ 9,711,437
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All other governmental funds:				
Restricted for the following purposes:				
Debt Service	\$ 1,340,039	\$ 20,983	\$ 1,284,899	\$ 1,407,865
Revenue Bond Reserve	3,049,500	1,195,592	-	-
Management levy purposes	2,897,543	3,306,677	3,330,688	3,116,607
Student activity	431,148	387,159	390,011	391,376
School Infrastructure	2,957,341	4,200,008	4,770,007	6,348,237
Physical plant and equipment	2,698,714	3,428,310	3,238,873	4,054,638
Capital Projects	26,747,916	14,250,426	2,632,871	925,728
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Total all other governmental funds	\$ 40,122,201	\$ 26,789,155	\$ 15,647,349	\$ 16,244,451
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Statistic 4

Fiscal Year		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025				
\$	867,388	\$	787,544	\$	994,494	\$	1,032,855	\$	646,352	\$	232,595
	8,945,320		8,401,562		8,121,234		11,706,777		11,535,561		10,877,795
\$	9,812,708	\$	9,189,106	\$	9,115,728	\$	12,739,632	\$	12,181,913	\$	11,110,390
\$	1,279,335	\$	1,415,288	\$	1,575,276	\$	1,683,365	\$	2,027,096	\$	2,294,135
	-		-		-		-		-		-
	1,869,983		2,010,202		2,009,637		2,197,286		2,270,955		2,473,801
	477,982		603,030		614,535		621,252		592,555		654,464
	6,304,276		1,683,732		3,795,298		6,369,724		9,030,913		10,311,069
	5,182,355		6,169,246		8,640,979		8,134,888		8,543,492		7,073,009
	759,741		132,419		-		-		-		-
\$	15,873,672	\$	12,013,917	\$	16,635,725	\$	19,006,515	\$	22,465,011	\$	22,806,478

Fort Dodge Community School District

Governmental Funds Revenues
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Modified accrual basis of accounting)
(Unaudited)

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Federal Sources	\$ 4,221,365	\$ 3,629,644	\$ 4,158,111	\$ 4,004,714
State Sources	30,567,046	31,068,058	31,070,208	32,178,427
Intermediate Sources	15,897	45,015	15,640	15,077
Local Sources :				
Local taxes	14,517,695	16,302,943	16,738,307	17,488,574
Tuition	988,450	1,112,850	1,325,352	1,429,302
Other revenues	1,666,330	1,594,743	1,624,834	1,792,805
Total local sources	17,172,475	19,010,536	19,688,493	20,710,681
Total revenues	\$ 51,976,783	\$ 53,753,253	\$ 54,932,452	\$ 56,908,899

Statistic 5

Fiscal Year							
2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		
\$ 3,452,504	\$ 4,524,762	\$ 11,596,826	\$ 6,879,966	\$ 2,915,192	\$ 4,130,726		
32,272,999	32,453,707	33,894,893	34,914,871	35,079,773	36,349,041		
15,304	16,796	16,957	16,671	79,153	19,305		
17,905,512	18,824,473	18,775,039	19,484,211	18,954,832	18,778,652		
1,409,356	1,225,134	1,178,550	1,275,674	1,486,067	1,427,275		
1,530,484	1,100,721	1,000,505	2,062,283	2,991,197	2,881,854		
20,845,352	21,150,328	20,954,094	22,822,168	23,432,096	23,087,781		
\$ 56,586,159	\$ 58,145,593	\$ 66,462,770	\$ 64,633,676	\$ 61,506,214	\$ 63,586,853		

Fort Dodge Community School District

Governmental Funds Expenditures and Debt Service Ratio

Last Ten Fiscal Years

(Modified accrual basis of accounting)

(Unaudited)

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Instruction	\$ 27,858,183	\$ 28,589,805	\$ 29,817,528	\$ 30,473,569
Student Services	2,563,397	2,598,848	2,760,232	2,971,791
Instructional Staff Services	2,868,091	3,648,255	3,296,831	3,552,759
Administration Services	4,394,286	4,787,897	4,861,174	5,046,343
Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services	3,941,026	3,670,422	3,561,730	3,884,591
Transportation Services	1,690,247	1,474,703	1,438,839	1,554,895
Non-Instructional Programs	4,690	9,405	18,912	-
Capital Outlay:				
Facilities acquisition	2,152,585	13,205,705	13,932,005	2,250,093
Debt service:				
Principal	1,340,000	3,424,000	3,491,000	3,905,000
Interest and fiscal charges	1,836,216	1,509,088	1,185,090	1,116,975
AEA flowthrough	1,748,769	1,773,733	1,819,717	1,870,677
Total expenditures	\$ 50,397,490	\$ 64,691,861	\$ 66,183,058	\$ 56,626,693
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	6.75%	9.64%	8.71%	9.24%

Statistic 6

Fiscal Year							
2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025		
\$ 32,552,542	\$ 32,331,762	\$ 32,257,898	\$ 30,894,740	\$ 32,364,033	\$ 33,968,727		
2,500,528	2,880,214	3,097,588	2,767,612	3,353,396	3,444,628		
1,393,604	1,689,546	1,555,475	1,514,478	1,542,523	1,587,437		
5,064,938	5,272,366	5,357,920	5,529,721	5,316,123	5,504,984		
4,072,072	4,130,615	4,603,781	4,915,925	4,947,591	5,435,095		
1,541,610	1,473,497	1,670,339	1,271,521	1,805,869	1,820,197		
9,095	13,775	10,056	12,806	2,295	6,639		
2,728,052	9,590,384	7,435,902	4,349,348	2,466,239	5,547,402		
3,877,000	4,437,000	4,568,000	4,705,107	4,376,348	4,947,946		
1,265,073	957,784	833,200	765,804	713,889	509,866		
1,851,253	1,876,271	1,909,673	1,911,920	1,861,501	1,570,630		
\$ 56,855,767	\$ 64,653,214	\$ 63,299,832	\$ 58,638,982	\$ 58,749,807	\$ 64,343,551		
9.48%	10.04%	9.63%	10.10%	9.04%	10.40%		

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**Other Financing Sources (Uses) and Net Change in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Modified accrual basis of accounting)
(Unaudited)**

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	\$ 1,579,293	\$ (10,938,608)	\$ (11,250,606)	\$ 398,136
Other financing sources (uses):				
General obligation bonds issued	28,460,000	27,639,000	-	-
Proceeds from hail damage	-	-	-	-
Sale of equipment	810	9,841	440	1,825
Bond premium	303,796	-	-	-
Lease proceeds	-	-	-	-
Sale of real property	-	-	-	-
Interfund transfers in	2,612,045	6,268,529	2,289,332	2,287,457
Interfund transfers out	(2,612,045)	(6,268,529)	(2,289,332)	(2,287,457)
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	-	(30,503,375)	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	28,764,606	(2,854,534)	440	1,825
Net change in fund balances	\$ 30,343,899	\$ (13,793,142)	\$ (11,250,166)	\$ 399,961

Statistic 7

Fiscal Year						
2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
\$ (269,608)	\$ (6,507,621)	\$ 3,162,938	\$ 5,994,694	\$ 2,756,407	\$ (756,698)	
-	-	-	-	-	-	
-	2,024,264	1,385,492	-	-	-	
100	-	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	-	26,642	
-	-	-	-	144,370	-	
2,287,829	3,044,434	8,854,415	3,598,250	2,355,015	2,296,612	
(2,287,829)	(3,044,434)	(8,854,415)	(3,598,250)	(2,355,015)	(2,296,612)	
-	-	-	-	-	-	
100	2,024,264	1,385,492	-	144,370	26,642	
\$ (269,508)	\$ (4,483,357)	\$ 4,548,430	\$ 5,994,694	\$ 2,900,777	\$ (730,056)	

**Assessed Value and Actual Value of Taxable Property
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Actual Value			Total Actual Value	Total Taxable Value	Total Direct Rate (a)
	Residential Property	Commercial Property	Agricultural and Other Property			
2016	891,585,253	273,850,678	251,420,689	1,416,856,620	942,007,617	15.18368
2017	901,652,020	287,208,030	276,690,052	1,465,550,102	984,869,227	16.76416
2018	899,689,490	283,898,670	288,285,629	1,471,873,789	1,013,895,270	16.76982
2019	967,365,410	285,002,080	299,941,034	1,552,308,524	1,061,811,335	16.76790
2020	973,173,330	286,728,850	436,350,010	1,696,252,190	1,097,792,072	16.75791
2021	1,099,502,490	286,397,270	414,504,798	1,800,404,558	1,158,526,877	16.49848
2022	1,116,899,760	288,504,200	419,085,059	1,824,489,019	1,183,545,037	16.19341
2023	1,160,519,920	324,161,170	504,285,816	1,988,966,906	1,251,669,754	15.90600
2024	1,219,626,180	327,825,330	620,078,532	2,167,530,042	1,229,593,246	15.77402
2025	1,388,843,840	418,678,950	701,077,518	2,508,600,308	1,282,930,323	15.22426

Source: Webster County Auditor.

Note: The actual values are determined as of January 1, of the calendar year prior to the fiscal year indicated. These actual values are used to calculate the taxable values for the second budget following the assessment date. (With G&E Utilities)

(a) Per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Direct and Overlapping Property Tax Rates
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Rate per \$1,000 of assessed value)
 (Unaudited)

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	District Direct Rates				Overlapping Rates			
	General Purposes	Capital Purposes	Debt Service Purposes	Total	Webster County	City of Fort Dodge	Community College	Other
2016	13.75500	1.42868	0.00000	15.18368	6.39664	20.94436	0.82510	0.76807
2017	13.16131	1.43488	2.16797	16.76416	5.94692	20.42200	1.14337	0.84550
2018	12.98073	1.43752	2.35157	16.76982	5.91024	20.42066	0.99381	0.84229
2019	12.74378	1.45059	2.57353	16.76790	5.89984	20.42015	1.32912	0.53838
2020	12.90285	1.45287	2.40219	16.75791	5.84177	20.42025	1.03946	0.49007
2021	12.34750	1.45281	2.69817	16.49848	6.12302	20.17395	1.11132	0.41469
2022	12.03802	1.46508	2.69031	16.19341	6.06072	20.42283	1.09210	0.44800
2023	11.88530	1.47474	2.54596	15.90600	6.06213	20.09897	1.24274	0.44932
2024	12.05213	1.45805	2.26384	15.77402	6.45765	20.73786	1.35550	0.42456
2025	11.28411	1.45973	2.48042	15.22426	6.40129	20.95500	1.42738	0.45966

Source: Webster County Auditor, Iowa Department of Management and Piper Jaffray
 Other column consists of Webster County Ag. Extension, Webster County Assessor.

**Principal Property Taxpayers
Current Year and Ten Years Ago
(Unaudited)**

Taxpayer	2025			2015		
	Taxable Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Value	Taxable Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Value
Mid American Energy	\$ 113,649,000	1	8.86%	\$ 45,330,668	1	4.91%
Union Pacific Railroad Company	85,394,470	2	6.66%	8,570,762	3	0.00%
Cargill Inc.	72,541,830	3	5.65%	-		0.00%
New Cooperative Inc.	67,810,610	4	5.29%	-		0.44%
Northern Natural Gas	53,955,900	5	4.21%	-		1.85%
Dakota Access Pipeline	53,106,073	6	4.14%	-		0.00%
Mid American Energy - Gas	42,393,906	7	3.30%	-		0.87%
Van Diest Family LLC	40,129,410	8	3.13%	4,100,078	13	0.49%
Elanco US Inc.	26,344,690	9	2.05%	17,075,963	2	0.00%
Radar Enterprises LLC	19,423,510	10	1.51%	-		0.00%
Koch Fertilizer Ft Dodge LLC	19,207,240	11	1.50%	8,076,980	4	0.87%
Valero Renewable Fuels Co LLC	17,796,330	12	1.39%	-		0.74%
Calcium Products Inc.	15,915,470	13	1.24%	4,484,949	12	0.79%
Poet Biorefining - Gowrie LLC	14,000,000	14	1.09%	-		0.00%
Menards Inc Corporate Accounting	10,960,400	15	0.85%	6,808,432	8	0.57%
Chicago Central & Pacific RR Co.	10,806,820	16	0.84%	-		0.00%
Litchfield Realty Co.	10,336,500	17	0.63%	-		0.00%
Wal-Mart Real Estate Trust	9,834,690	18	0.77%	7,257,535	6	0.00%
Trinity Regional Medical Center	9,529,550	19	0.55%	6,917,084	7	0.42%
All other taxpayers	<u>589,793,924</u>		<u>62.53%</u>	<u>814,609,084</u>		<u>81.49%</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,282,930,323</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 923,231,535</u>		<u>100.00%</u>

Source: Webster County

**Property Tax Levies and Collections
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year	Taxes Levied for the Fiscal Year	Collected Within the Fiscal Year of the Levy		Collections In Subsequent Years	Total Collections to Date	
		Amount	Percentage of Levy		Amount	Percentage of Levy
2016	13,819,842	13,819,842	100.00%	19,206	13,839,048	100.14%
2017	15,059,733	15,059,733	100.00%	7,619	15,067,352	100.05%
2018	15,383,498	15,309,168	99.52%	25,360	15,334,528	99.68%
2019	16,030,827	16,063,167	100.20%	4,280	16,067,447	100.23%
2020	16,330,442	16,198,144	99.19%	53,271	16,251,415	99.52%
2021	17,029,015	17,155,208	100.74%	18,030	17,173,238	100.85%
2022	17,169,485	17,159,938	99.94%	1,211	17,161,149	99.95%
2023	17,648,357	17,706,156	100.33%	588	17,706,745	100.33%
2024	17,077,487	17,114,758	100.22%	1,855	17,116,613	100.23%
2025	17,063,226	17,080,305	100.10%	670	17,080,975	100.10%

Source: Webster County Auditor and District records.

Note: Delinquent property tax collections are included in the year they are collected.

**Actual Historic Sales, Services and Use Tax Collections
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year	Total Revenue
2025	\$ 4,658,256
2024	4,691,125
2023	5,007,898
2022	4,423,993
2021	3,662,295
2020	3,798,154
2019	3,891,741
2018	3,456,958
2017	3,606,472
2016	3,594,582

Source: District records.

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**Outstanding Debt By Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year	Governmental Activities			General Obligation Debt		
	General Obligation Bonds Outstanding	Revenue Bonds	Lease Agreements	Total Primary Government	G.O. Bond as a Percent of Actual Taxable Value of Property	G.O. Bonds Per Capita, Personal Income
2016	28,334,026	26,635,000	-	54,969,026	3.00%	1.76%
2017	26,855,715	25,700,000	-	52,555,715	2.73%	1.69%
2018	25,117,404	23,954,000	-	49,071,404	2.48%	1.61%
2019	22,999,093	22,174,000	-	45,173,093	2.17%	1.39%
2020	20,945,782	20,357,000	-	41,302,782	1.91%	1.20%
2021	18,372,471	18,500,000	198,681	37,071,152	1.59%	1.02%
2022	15,709,160	16,602,000	135,401	32,446,561	1.33%	0.82%
2023	13,010,849	14,666,000	71,294	27,748,143	1.05%	0.67%
2024	10,682,538	12,690,000	5,946	23,378,484	0.87%	0.55%
2025	7,769,227	10,668,000	26,642	18,463,869	0.61%	0.39%

Source: District records

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Total Outstanding Debt

Percentage of Personal Income	Per Capita
3.42%	1,483
3.31%	1,429
3.14%	1,341
2.74%	1,245
2.37%	1,150
2.10%	997
1.69%	870
1.42%	758
1.21%	642
0.93%	500

**Direct and Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt
As of June 30, 2025
(Unaudited)**

Governmental Unit	Debt Outstanding	Estimated Percentage Applicable*	Estimated Share of Direct and Overlapping Debt
City of Badger	\$ 720,000	100.00%	\$ 720,000
City of Fort Dodge	39,600,000	100.00%	39,600,000
City of Otho	180,000	100.00%	180,000
Webster County	22,600,000	57.56%	13,008,560
Iowa Central Community College	71,185,420	12.90%	9,182,919
AEA 8 - Prairie Lakes	69,499	7.21%	5,011
Subtotal, overlapping debt			62,696,490
District direct debt			19,703,000
Total direct and overlapping debt			\$ 82,399,490

Source: Verbal data provided by each entity reported. Totals listed may include all types of debt outstanding backed by property tax, sales tax revenue, or other sources.

* Estimate is based upon overlapping total assessed value and assessed value within Fort Dodge Community School District boundaries.

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**Legal Debt Margin Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)**

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Debt limit	\$ 77,223,087	\$ 77,223,087	\$ 78,751,496	\$ 82,728,953
Total net debt applicable to limit	55,095,000	52,675,000	49,184,000	45,279,000
Debt service reserve fund balances	3,049,500	-	-	-
Legal debt margin	\$ 25,177,587	\$ 24,548,087	\$ 29,567,496	\$ 37,449,953
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	67.40%	68.21%	62.45%	54.73%

Source: Webster County Auditor and District Records.

Note: It has not been determined if Sales Tax debt is counted toward the statutory debt limit. This table assumes that Sales Tax debt is required to be included in that calculation.

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Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2023

Assessed value (a)	\$ 2,508,600,308
Debt limit (5% of assessed value)(b)	\$ 125,430,015
Debt applicable to limit	<u>(19,703,000)</u>
Legal debt margin	<u><u>\$ 105,727,015</u></u>

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
\$	84,812,610	\$ 90,020,228	\$ 91,224,451	\$ 99,237,822	\$ 108,376,502	\$ 125,430,015
	41,402,000	36,782,471	32,311,160	27,748,143	23,378,484	19,703,000
	-	-	-	-	-	-
\$	43,410,610	\$ 53,237,757	\$ 58,913,291	\$ 71,489,679	\$ 84,998,018	\$ 105,727,015
	48.82%	40.86%	35.42%	27.96%	27.96%	15.71%

**Pledged Revenue Coverage
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year	Local Option Sales Tax Revenue Bonds				Coverage
	Revenue	Debt Service		Total	
Principal		Interest			
2016	3,594,582	1,340,000	1,309,950	2,649,950	73.72%
2017	3,606,472	1,939,000	677,004	2,616,004	72.54%
2018	3,456,958	1,746,000	544,840	2,290,840	66.27%
2019	3,891,741	1,780,000	507,825	2,287,825	58.79%
2020	3,798,154	1,817,000	470,089	2,287,089	60.22%
2021	3,662,295	1,857,000	431,568	2,288,568	62.49%
2022	4,423,993	1,898,000	392,200	2,290,200	51.77%
2023	5,007,898	1,936,000	351,962	2,287,962	45.69%
2024	4,691,125	1,976,000	289,974	2,265,974	48.30%
2025	4,658,256	2,022,000	134,514	2,156,514	46.29%

**Demographic and Economic Statistics
Last Ten Calendar Years
(Unaudited)**

Calendar Year	Population (a)	Personal Income (In Thousands) (a)	Per Capita Personal Income (a)	Fort Dodge MSA Unemployment Rate (b)
2016	37,071	1,606,175	43,327	4.8%
2017	36,769	1,589,382	43,226	4.0%
2018	36,605	1,562,743	42,719	2.8%
2019	36,277	1,650,441	45,496	2.6%
2020	35,904	1,744,487	48,588	4.2%
2021	36,999	1,755,795	48,862	4.9%
2022	37,147	1,906,807	51,331	2.8%
2023	36,626	1,959,778	53,507	3.0%
2024	36,485	1,941,476	53,213	2.7%
2025	36,909	1,960,890	53,745	3.9%

Notes:

Data provided is for the Fort Dodge Micropolitan Statistical Area consisting of Webster County

Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis

(a) Bureau of Economic Analysis

(b) Iowa Workforce Development

**Principal Employers
Current Year and Ten Years Ago
(Unaudited)**

Employer	2025			2015		
	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total Employment	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total Employment
Unity Point Health	1,197	1	6.80%	1,189	1	7.14%
New Co-op	1,143	2	6.49%	485	5	2.91%
Decker Truck Lines	922	3	5.24%	821	2	4.93%
Iowa Central Community College	804	4	4.57%	802	3	4.81%
Elanco	590	5	3.35%	450	6	2.70%
Fort Dodge Community Schools	499	6	2.83%	530	4	3.18%
Fort Dodge Correctional Facility	366	7	2.08%	366	7	2.20%
Friendship Haven	297	8	1.69%	312	8	1.87%
CJ Bio America	240	9	1.36%	171	12	1.03%
Nestle Purina Pet Care Products	214	10	1.22%	192	9	1.15%
City of Fort Dodge	210	11	1.19%	182	11	1.09%
Silgan Containers	174	12	0.99%	168	10	1.01%
United States Gypsum	135	13	0.77%	111	14	0.67%
Catalyst Communications	90	14	0.51%	113	13	0.68%
Georgia-Pacific Corporation	72	15	0.41%	70	16	0.42%
All other employers	<u>10,649</u>		<u>60.50%</u>	<u>10,624</u>		<u>63.77%</u>
Total	<u>17,602</u>		<u>100.00%</u>	<u>16,586</u>		<u>100.00%</u>

Source: City of Fort Dodge and Iowa Department of Economic Development.

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**Full-Time Equivalent District Employees By Type
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)**

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Supervisory:				
Superintendent	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Principals	5.00	7.00	7.00	6.00
Assistant principals	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00
All other administrators	11.00	12.00	13.00	11.00
Total supervisory	21.00	24.00	25.00	23.00
Instruction:				
Teachers	271.65	275.96	279.94	265.99
Paraprofessionals	86.82	102.53	107.68	122.08
All other instruction	2.84	2.53	2.53	2.53
Total instruction	361.31	381.02	390.15	390.60
Student services:				
Guidance counselors	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.00
Media specialists/Librarians	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Nurses	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
All other student services	18.75	18.72	20.47	23.56
Total student services	35.75	35.72	37.47	41.56
Support and administration:				
Office/Clerical	25.00	28.00	29.94	28.94
Transportation	11.30	13.25	12.70	11.75
Custodial maintenance	35.00	35.00	36.00	35.00
All other support	8.00	9.00	9.00	15.31
Total support and administration	79.30	85.25	87.64	91.00
Total	497.36	525.99	540.26	546.16

Source: District records

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Full-Time Equivalent Employees as of June 30,						Percentage Change
2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2016-2025
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00%
7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	40.00%
6.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	5.00	5.00	25.00%
10.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	11.00	0.00%
24.00	23.00	23.00	25.00	25.00	24.00	14.29%
267.88	262.13	239.56	238.69	231.19	228.44	-15.91%
124.49	103.45	114.22	110.47	102.25	106.54	22.71%
2.53	2.63	2.63	2.69	10.00	9.00	216.90%
394.90	368.21	356.41	351.85	343.44	343.98	-4.80%
12.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00%
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00%
6.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	8.33%
26.16	25.91	25.78	36.53	34.47	37.13	98.03%
45.16	44.91	42.78	53.53	51.97	54.63	52.81%
21.94	26.94	19.94	17.94	19.94	17.00	-32.00%
12.31	12.28	12.58	10.93	11.10	10.87	-3.81%
35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	0.00%
14.00	9.31	13.75	12.00	15.00	13.94	74.25%
83.25	83.53	81.27	75.87	81.03	76.81	-3.14%
547.31	519.65	505.46	506.25	501.44	499.42	0.41%

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**Operating Statistics
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)**

Fiscal Year	Budget Enrollment	Governmental	Cost Per Pupil	Percentage Change	Business-type	Cost Per Pupil	Percentage Change
		Operating Expenditures			Total Expenses		
2016	3,767	45,888,175	12,182	5.22%	2,129,788	565	-4.82%
2017	3,767	52,606,862	13,965	14.64%	2,248,630	597	5.58%
2018	3,711	49,985,380	13,470	-3.55%	2,332,330	628	5.29%
2019	3,800	53,966,221	14,201	5.43%	2,393,502	630	0.21%
2020	3,661	52,414,574	14,317	0.82%	1,989,685	543	-13.71%
2021	3,668	52,789,943	14,392	0.52%	2,031,477	554	1.91%
2022	3,675	49,811,653	13,556	-5.81%	2,662,026	724	30.80%
2023	3,656	50,121,675	13,710	1.14%	2,856,289	781	7.85%
2024	3,561	52,380,349	14,709	7.29%	2,909,315	817	4.57%
2025	3,522	54,211,285	15,393	4.65%	2,966,170	842	3.09%

Source: District records

Note: Expenses represent business-type activity expenses, which includes the District's School Nutrition Fund.

Statistic 20

Teaching Staff (in FTE)	Pupil-Teacher Ratio	Percentage of Students Receiving Free or Reduced- Priced Meals
271.65	13.87	58.30%
275.96	13.65	57.30%
279.94	13.26	58.32%
265.99	14.29	59.77%
267.88	13.67	60.21%
262.13	13.99	60.04%
239.56	15.34	58.27%
238.69	15.32	60.02%
231.19	15.40	56.12%
228.44	15.42	53.42%

Fort Dodge Community School District

**School Building Information
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(Unaudited)**

School	2016	2017	2018	2019
Elementary:				
Butler Elementary				
Square feet	70,140	70,140	70,140	70,140
Capacity	462	462	462	462
Enrollment	466	458	397	397
Cooper Elementary				
Square feet	37,065	37,065	37,065	37,065
Capacity	352	352	352	352
Enrollment	276	275	242	242
Duncombe Elementary				
Square feet	46,075	46,075	67,656	67,656
Capacity	330	330	450	450
Enrollment	346	387	419	419
Feelhaber Elementary				
Square feet	26,741	26,741	26,741	26,741
Capacity	220	220	220	220
Enrollment	211	214	203	203
Middle Schools				
Fort Dodge Middle School				
Square feet	190,123	190,123	190,123	190,123
Capacity	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Enrollment	1,029	1,038	1,036	1,036
High School				
Fort Dodge Senior High				
Square feet	248,300	248,300	248,300	248,300
Capacity	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Enrollment	1,071	1,097	1,051	1,051
Other District Facilities				
Riverside Early Learning Center				
Square feet	30,124	30,124	30,124	30,124
Capacity	308	308	308	308
Enrollment	65	74	61	61
Early Childhood Center				
Square feet	36,589	36,589	36,589	36,589
Capacity	-	-	-	-
Enrollment	-	-	-	-
Bus Garage				
Square feet	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200
Dodger Stadium				
Square feet	6,800	6,800	6,800	6,800
Central Administration Office				
Square feet	-	-	-	-

Statistic 21

Year					
2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
70,140	70,140	70,140	70,140	70,140	70,140
462	462	462	462	462	462
404	404	424	368	368	368
37,065	37,065	37,065	37,065	37,065	37,065
352	352	352	352	352	352
260	260	230	238	238	238
67,656	67,656	67,656	67,656	67,656	67,656
450	450	450	450	450	450
436	436	457	444	444	444
26,741	26,741	26,741	26,741	26,741	26,741
220	220	220	220	220	220
204	204	219	204	204	204
190,123	190,123	190,123	190,123	190,123	190,123
1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
1,025	1,025	782	823	823	823
248,300	248,300	248,300	248,300	248,300	248,300
1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
1,053	1,053	1,083	1,126	1,126	1,126
30,124	30,124	30,124	30,124	30,124	30,124
308	308	308	308	308	308
49	49	-	-	-	-
36,589	36,589	36,589	36,589	36,589	36,589
-	500	500	500	500	500
-	408	407	353	353	353
7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200
6,800	6,800	6,800	6,800	6,800	6,800
-	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Year Ended June 30, 2025

Grantor/Program	Assistance Listing Number	Expenditures
Indirect:		
U.S. Department of Agriculture:		
Passed Through Iowa Department of Education:		
Child Nutrition Cluster:		
National School Lunch Program	10.555	\$ 1,844,742 *
School Breakfast Program	10.553	442,458
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	118,632
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.582	60,116
Total Child Nutrition Cluster		2,465,948
Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement Program	10.185	2,000
U.S. Department of Education:		
Passed Through Iowa Department of Education:		
COVID 19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	266,779
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	1,644,097
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	59,535
Rehabilitation Services Vocational Rehabilitation - Grants to States	84.126	73,561
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers	84.287	119,288
Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs	84.334S	23,001
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	693
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	220,424
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424	61,979
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424F	78,209
		140,188
COVID 19 - Education Stabilization Fund	84.425U	174,604
Passed Through Prairie Lakes Area Education Agency:		
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	186,577
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services:		
Passed Through Iowa Department of Human Services:		
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.558	\$ 60,358
Total		\$ 5,437,053

* Includes \$209,801 of non-cash awards.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED)
Year Ended June 30, 2025**

Basis of Presentation – The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Fort Dodge Community School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2025. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Fort Dodge Community School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in financial position or cash flows of Fort Dodge Community School District.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Expenditures reported in the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Fort Dodge Community School District made no subrecipient payments.

Indirect Cost Rate – Fort Dodge Community School District has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT



**Independent Auditor’s Report on Internal Control over
Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in
Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Board of Education of
Fort Dodge Community School District:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Fort Dodge Community School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and the related notes to financial statements, which collectively comprise the District’s basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 22, 2025.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Fort Dodge Community School 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 Fort Dodge Community School District’s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Fort Dodge Community School District’s internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of the 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 which is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies 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 a material weakness. We identified a deficiency in internal control, described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as Item 2025-001 that we consider to be a significant weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Fort Dodge Community School District’s financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance 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 non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the District’s operations for the year ended June 30, 2025 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the District. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Fort Dodge Community School District's Responses to Findings

Government Auditing Standards require the auditor to perform limited procedures on Fort Dodge Community School District's responses to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Fort Dodge Community School District's responses were not subject to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

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.

TrustPoint, LLP

Fort Dodge, Iowa
December 22, 2025



**Independent Auditor’s Report on Compliance for
Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control
over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance**

To the Board of Education of
Fort Dodge Community School District:

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Fort Dodge Community School District’s compliance 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 its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2025. Fort Dodge Community School District’s major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor’s results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, Fort Dodge Community School District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2025.

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; 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). Our responsibilities under those standards and the 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 Fort Dodge Community School District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 of Fort Dodge Community School 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 Fort Dodge Community School 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 Fort Dodge Community School 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, *Government Auditing Standards* and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it

exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than 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 judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Fort Dodge Community School District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- 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 Fort Dodge Community School District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing other such procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of Fort Dodge Community School 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 Fort Dodge Community School District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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 we identified during the audit.

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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the 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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weakness as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

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.

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.

TrustPoint, LLP

Fort Dodge, Iowa
December 22, 2025

Fort Dodge Community School District
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year ended June 30, 2025

Part I: Summary of Independent Auditor's Results:

- (a) Unmodified opinions were issued on the financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- (b) No significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting was disclosed by the audit of the financial statements.
- (c) The audit did not disclose any non-compliance that is material to the financial statements.
- (d) No material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over major federal award programs were disclosed by the audit of the financial statements.
- (e) An unmodified opinion was issued on compliance with requirements applicable to each major federal award program.
- (f) The audit did not disclose any audit findings which were required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, Section 200.516.
- (g) The major program was as follows:
 - Child Nutrition Cluster
 - Assistance Listing Number 10.553 – School Breakfast Program
 - Assistance Listing Number 10.555 – National School Lunch Program
 - Assistance Listing Number 10.559 – Summer Food Service Program for Children
 - Assistance Listing Number 10.582 – Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program.
- (h) The dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs was \$750,000.
- (i) Fort Dodge Community School District qualified as a low-risk auditee.

**Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
(Continued)
Year ended June 30, 2025**

Part II: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

Instances of Non-Compliance:

No matters were reported.

Internal Control Deficiencies:

2025-001 District Policies and Procedures:

Criteria: An effective internal control system provides for internal controls related to following District policies and procedures. Properly designed policies and procedures and implementation of the policies and procedures are an integral part of ensuring the reliability and accuracy of the District's financial statements.

Condition: During the course of the audit procedures, we identified policies for deposits in District buildings not being followed, we identified a sign-on bonus not being repaid upon termination in accordance with District policies, we identified open enrollment (in/out) reconciliation issues which impacts proper billing and repayment of open enrollment, and we identified undocumented leave, which impacts the proper calculation of compensated absences.

Cause: The lapses in District policies are occurring at levels below the business office and are being identified by the business office.

Effect: Not properly following District established policies and procedures could affect the district's ability to prevent or detect and correct misstatements, errors or misappropriation on a timely basis by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Recommendation: The District should review District policies and procedures with all employees involved in the accounting function and ensure proper training and oversight occurs as deemed necessary.

Response and Corrective Action Planned: We will continue to review our procedures and implement additional controls if deemed necessary.

Conclusion: Response accepted.

Part III: Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards:

Instances of Non-Compliance:

No matters were reported.

Internal Control Deficiencies:

No matters were reported.

**Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
(Continued)
Year ended June 30, 2025**

Part IV: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- 2025-A Certified Budget: Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2025 did not exceed the amended certified budget amount.
- 2025-B Questionable Expenditures: No expenditures we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.
- 2025-C Travel Expense: No expenditures of District money for travel expenses of spouses of District officials or employees were noted. No travel advances to District officials or employees were noted.
- 2025-D Business Transactions: Business transactions between the District and District officials or employees are detailed as follows:

<u>Name, Title and Business Connection</u>	<u>Transaction Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Heather Cochrane, daughter-in-law of former Board Member	Teaching	\$ 33,083
Lydia Schuur, wife of Board Member	Communications Director	75,449
Eric Pratt, son of Board Member	Statistics Services	1,200
Blue Ribbon Pelham Waters, Board Member is an owner	Water and Supplies	215
Active Health Chiropractic, Board Member is an owner	Physicals	1,365

The transactions do not represent a conflict of interest based on an Attorney General opinion dated April 1976.

- 2025-E Restricted Donor Activity: No transactions were noted between the District, District officials or District employees and restricted donors in compliance with Chapter 68B of the Code of Iowa.
- 2025-F Bond Coverage: Surety bond coverage of District officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- 2025-G Board Minutes: No transactions requiring Board approval that had not been approved by the Board were noted.

**Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
(Continued)
Year ended June 30, 2025**

2025-H Certified Enrollment: Variances in the basic enrollment data certified to the Iowa Department of Education were noted.

Recommendation: The District should review its policies and student registration procedures for certifying basic enrollment to ensure the certified enrollment is accurate.

Response: We will review policies and student registration procedures to improve the accuracy of our reporting.

Conclusion: Response accepted.

2025-I Supplementary Weighting: No variances regarding the supplemental weighting certified to the Iowa Department of Education were noted.

2025-J Deposits and Investments: No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa and the District’s investment policy were noted.

2025-K Certified Annual Report (CAR): The Certified Annual Report was timely certified to the Iowa Department of Education.

2025-L Categorical Funding: No instances were noted of categorical funding being used to supplant rather than supplement other funds.

2025-M Statewide Sales and Services Tax: No instances of non-compliance with the allowable uses of the statewide sales, services and use tax revenue provisions of Chapter 423F.3 of the Code of Iowa were noted.

Pursuant to Chapter 423F.5 of the Code of Iowa, the annual audit is required to include certain reporting elements related to the statewide sales, services and use tax revenue. Districts are required to include these reporting elements in the Certified Annual Report (CAR) submitted to the Iowa Department of Education. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the District reported the following information regarding the statewide sales, services and use tax revenue in the District’s CAR:

Beginning balance	\$	9,030,913
Revenues:		
Sales tax revenues	\$	4,658,256
Interest		434,382
		5,092,638
		14,123,551
Expenditures:		
Facilities acquisition		1,521,887
Transfers to other funds:		
Debt service fund		2,290,595
		3,812,482
Ending balance	\$	<u><u>10,311,069</u></u>

For the year ended June 30, 2025, the District did not reduce any levies as a result of the moneys received under Chapter 423E or 423F of the Code of Iowa.

APPENDIX E – FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATES

EXHIBIT A FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IOWA \$42,040,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2026

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER] ("Purchaser") hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale and issuance of the above-captioned obligations (the "Bonds").

1. Sale of the General Rule Maturities. As of the date of this certificate, for each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities, the first price at which at least 10% of such Maturity was sold to the Public is the respective price listed in Schedule A.
2. Initial Offering Price of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities.
 - a. Purchaser offered the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities to the Public for purchase at the respective initial offering prices listed in Schedule A (the "Initial Offering Prices") on or before the Sale Date. A copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication for the Bonds is attached to this certificate as Schedule B.
 - b. As set forth in the Terms of Offering, Purchaser has agreed in writing that, (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, it would neither offer nor sell any of the Bonds of such Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"), and (ii) any selling group agreement shall contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any retail distribution agreement shall contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the retail distribution agreement, to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule. Pursuant to such agreement, no Underwriter (as defined below) has offered or sold any Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities at a price that is higher than the respective Initial Offering Price for that Maturity of the Bonds during the Holding Period.
3. Defined Terms.
 - a. General Rule Maturities means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule A hereto as the "General Rule Maturities."
 - b. Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule A hereto as the "Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities."
 - c. Holding Period means, with respect to a Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date (May 4, 2026), or (ii) the date on which Purchaser has sold at least 10% of such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity.
 - d. Issuer means Fort Dodge Community School District.
 - e. Maturity means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.
 - f. Public means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
 - g. Sale Date means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is April 27, 2026.
 - h. Underwriter means (i) the Purchaser or any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents the Purchaser's interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax Exemption Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the

Bonds, and by Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Bond Counsel, in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Bonds.

[UNDERWRITER]

By: _____

Name: _____

Dated: May 27, 2026

SCHEDULE A
SALE PRICES OF THE GENERAL RULE MATURITIES AND
INITIAL OFFERING PRICES OF THE HOLD-THE-OFFERING-PRICE MATURITIES
(Attached)

SCHEDULE B
PRICING WIRE OR EQUIVALENT COMMUNICATION

EXHIBIT A
FORT DODGE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IOWA
\$42,040,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2026

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER] ("Purchaser"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale of the above-captioned obligations (the "Bonds").

1. Reasonably Expected Initial Offering Price.
 - a. As of the Sale Date, the reasonably expected initial offering prices of the Bonds to the Public by Purchaser are the prices listed in Schedule A (the "Expected Offering Prices"). The Expected Offering Prices are the prices for the Maturities of the Bonds used by Purchaser in formulating its bid to purchase the Bonds. Attached as Schedule B is a true and correct copy of the bid provided by Purchaser to purchase the Bonds.
 - b. Purchaser was not given the opportunity to review other bids prior to submitting its bid.
 - c. The bid submitted by Purchaser constituted a firm offer to purchase the Bonds.
2. Defined Terms.
 - a. Maturity means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate Maturities.
 - b. Public means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
 - c. Sale Date means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is April 27, 2026.
 - d. Underwriter means (i) the Purchaser or any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents the Purchaser's interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax Exemption Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and by Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Bond Counsel, in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Bonds.

[UNDERWRITER]

By: _____
Name: _____

Dated: May 27, 2026

SCHEDULE A
EXPECTED OFFERING PRICES
(Attached)

SCHEDULE B
COPY OF UNDERWRITER'S BID
(Attached)