



**Mount Vernon**

COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**\$4,195,000\***

**Mount Vernon Community School District, Iowa  
School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2026**

(Book Entry Only)  
(Bank Qualified)  
(PARITY© Bidding Available)  
(FAST closing)

DATE: Tuesday, May 19, 2026  
TIME: 11:30 AM CDST  
Place: District Office  
525 Palisades Rd SW  
Mount Vernon, IA 52314

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: Members of the Board of Directors of the Mount Vernon Community School District, Iowa (the "Issuer")

Re: \$4,195,000\* School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 dated the date of delivery, of the Issuer (the "Bonds")

For all of the above Bonds, in accordance with the Official Terms of Offering, we will pay you \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Bonds bearing interest rates and maturing as follows:

<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Bonds Due</u>	<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Bonds Due</u>
_____	_____	June 1, 2027	_____	_____	June 1, 2032
_____	_____	June 1, 2028	_____	_____	June 1, 2033
_____	_____	June 1, 2029	_____	_____	June 1, 2034
_____	_____	June 1, 2030	_____	_____	June 1, 2035
_____	_____	June 1, 2031	_____	_____	June 1, 2036

\_\_\_\_\_ 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 use 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:

NET INTEREST COST: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TRUE INTEREST COST \_\_\_\_\_ %

\_\_\_\_\_  
Account Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature of Account Manager

The foregoing offer is hereby accepted by and on behalf of the Mount Vernon Community School District in the Counties of Linn, Johnson and Jones, State of Iowa, this 19th day of May 2026.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Board Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
President

\* Subject to change

## OFFICIAL TERMS OF OFFERING

This section sets forth the description of certain 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: The Bonds to be offered are the following:

**SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE SALES, SERVICES AND USE TAX REVENUE BONDS** in the principal amount of \$4,195,000 (See Adjustment paragraph immediately below)\*, dated the date of delivery (the "Dated Date") in the denomination of \$5,000 or multiples thereof, and maturing as shown on the front cover of the official statement.

\* Adjustment to Principal Amount After Determination of Best Bid Each scheduled maturity of the Bonds is subject to increase or decrease. Such adjustments shall be made promptly after the sale and prior to the award of bids by the issuer and shall be in the sole discretion of the Issuer. The Issuer shall only make such adjustments in order to size the Bonds to provide enough funds to match actual known project costs received at bid on same date and to assure reasonable debt service coverage is met. To cooperate with any adjustment in the principal amounts, the Successful Bidder is required, as a part of its bid, to indicate its Initial Reoffering Yield and Initial Reoffering Price on each maturity of the Bonds (said price shall be calculated to the date as indicated by the Issuer). The total par amount of this issue will not exceed \$4,900,000.

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.

The Successful Bidder may not withdraw or modify its bid once submitted to the Issuer for any reason, including post bond adjustment. Any adjustment shall be conclusive, and shall be binding upon the Successful Bidder.

Optional Redemption: The Bonds maturing after June 1, 2033, 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 semiannually on each June 1 and December 1, beginning December 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 a 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 \$41,950 for the Bonds, payable to the order of the Issuer is required. 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 facsimile or email, within 10 minutes after 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 ("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 98.50% 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 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 on the front cover of the preliminary official statement. 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.

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. In the events of conflict with information provided by the Internet Bid System and the Official Bid terms, the Issuer, in its sole discretion, shall choose a path to resolve the conflict. 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: Facsimile Bids will not be accepted.

Sealed Bidding: Sealed bids may be submitted and will be received in the office of the Superintendent, Mount Vernon Community School District, 525 Palisades Road SW, Mount Vernon, IA.

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

The interest rates bid must be in multiples of 1/8th, 1/20th or 1/100th of 1%.

For maturities 2027-2033, 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. 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 Terms 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, 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 CUSIP 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 Series 2026 Resolution, to provide on annual basis, 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, 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 authorizing the issuance of the Bonds. 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 on this see Continuing Disclosure 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 resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds 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 resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds 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.



No dealer, salesman or any other person has been authorized by the Issuer or the Underwriter 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. The information set forth herein has been provided by the Issuer. The Underwriter makes no guarantee as to accuracy or completeness of such information, and its inclusion herein (other than representations about the Underwriter) is not to be construed as a representation by the Underwriter. 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 INVOLVES 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 QUALIFICATION 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 Appendix A, 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 TO DIFFER. THE ISSUER 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**  
**MOUNT VERNON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IOWA**  
**\$4,195,000\* SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE SALES, SERVICES AND USE TAX REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2026**

**INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT**

This Official Statement presents certain information relating to the Mount Vernon Community School District, Iowa (the “District” or the “Issuer”), in connection with the sale of the Issuer’s School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 (the “Bonds”). Proceeds of the Bonds will be used for the purpose of providing funds to i) construct site improvements at the Elementary School and Middle School campus, including parking lot improvements, sidewalk additions, and other related site improvements; and to remove, abate, and replace asbestos containing shingles on the exterior of the Middle School, with related improvements to the building exterior, ii) to establish and fund a Debt Service Reserve Fund, and iii) to pay costs of issuance for the Bonds (the “Project”). See “**THE PROJECT**” herein. The Bonds will be issued pursuant to a resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds expected to be adopted by the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of the Issuer on or about June 8, 2026 (the “Series 2026 Resolution”) which supplements the resolutions authorizing the Outstanding Bonds (as defined herein) (the “Prior Bond Resolution” and, together with the Series 2026 Resolution, the “Resolution”).

Prior to the adoption by the Iowa Legislature (the “Legislature”) of Chapter 423F of the Code of Iowa, as amended (the “Act”), voters in Linn, Johnson and Jones County, authorized a school infrastructure local option sales and services tax to be used for school infrastructure purposes. Under the Act, all prior school infrastructure local option sales and services taxes were repealed on July 1, 2008, in favor of a new statewide one cent school infrastructure sales, services & use tax (the “Tax”). Under the provisions of the Act, school corporations are authorized to issue Sales Tax Revenue Bonds payable from the receipt of such Tax revenues (the “Tax Revenues”) for certain purposes, and for certain periods of time, set forth in the Act. See “**SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS**” herein.

Summaries and descriptions of the Issuer, the Act, the Bonds, the Series 2026 Resolution, and certain other documents are included in this Official Statement. The summaries of and references to all documents, statutes and other instruments referred to herein do not purport to be complete, comprehensive or definitive, and each such summary and reference is qualified in its entirety by reference to each such document, statute or instrument. Copies of the Series 2026 Resolution may be obtained during the initial offering period by contacting the Issuer. The Issuer has agreed to provide certain continuing disclosure information after issuance of the Bonds as more fully described under “**APPENDIX C - Form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate**” – attached hereto.

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 Preliminary Official Statement and the documents summarized or described herein. This Preliminary Official Statement should be reviewed in its entirety.

The Bonds are special, limited obligations payable solely from the Tax Revenues received by the Issuer and certain funds pledged to the payment thereof in the Series 2026 Resolution. See “**SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS**.”

The Bonds are being issued on a parity basis with the outstanding \$5,816,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2017, dated November 7, 2017, issued in accordance with the Prior Bond Resolution (as defined herein), of which \$1,730,000 of the bonds are still outstanding as of the date of the Series 2026 Resolution and are secured by a lien on the Tax Revenues (the “Outstanding Bonds”).

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, with interest payable on June 1 and December 1, each year, beginning on December 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 a such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by a registered owner.

\* preliminary, subject to change

## Authorization for the Issuance

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Act and the Series 2026 Resolution expected to be adopted by the Board on or about June 8, 2026. See “SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS” herein.

## 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 Bonds (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.

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

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/Registrar 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 Book Entry-Only 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 Bond Registrar for a like aggregate principal amount of Bonds or other authorized denominations of the same maturity and interest rate; provided, however, that the Bond 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 Bond 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 Bond Registrar and shall not be redelivered.



that variance could prevent the Issuer from making timely payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds.

While the estimated Tax Revenues set forth herein are based upon information and assumptions that the Issuer believes to be reasonable, potential purchasers of the Bonds should recognize that such estimates are subject to changes resulting from a wide variety of economic and other conditions. Therefore, no assurance can be given that the Tax Revenues will be received in the annual or aggregate amount estimated. There may be material differences between the estimated receipts and actual payment of Tax Revenues to the Issuer.

### **Enrollment Trends**

Tax Revenues received are based on the certified enrollment of the Issuer as described herein. Changes in enrollment, whether up or down, will impact Tax Revenues received, the impact of which could be material. Deterioration in long term enrollment or increases in statewide enrollments not matched by increases in enrollments in the Issuer will potentially reduce the actual amount of the Tax Revenues received, and that reduction could materially alter the Issuer's ability to repay the Bonds. See **"ESTIMATED DEBT SERVICE COVERAGE ON THE BONDS"** and **"HISTORICAL RESIDENT ENROLLMENT IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT"** herein.

### **Economic Conditions**

The Tax is being collected generally on the same basis as the State of Iowa (the "State") retail sales and services tax, subject to certain exceptions. See **"SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS"** herein. The Tax may not be levied on the sale of property or on any service not taxed by the State. A wide variety of economic and other conditions could cause fluctuations affecting the volume of taxable sales and services within the State which would then affect the Issuer's receipt of the Tax Revenues. The following factors, among others, may affect the economic climate of the State and the volume of taxable sales and services originated in the State (and therefore the amount of Tax Revenues collected by the State and distributed to the Issuer), to an extent which cannot be determined at this time:

- 1) Global health pandemics, including the duration and scope thereof;
- 2) Employee strikes or other adverse labor actions affecting significant employers within the State;
- 3) Increased unemployment within the State;
- 4) Population decrease or other unfavorable demographic changes in the Issuer and surrounding areas;
- 5) Decrease in the number of resident students in the Issuer's boundaries;
- 6) Competition from sales and services providers located outside of the State;
- 7) The loss of local retail establishment or any decrease in the amount of sales generated in the State;
- 8) Natural disaster or catastrophes affecting significant portions of the Issuer and surrounding areas;
- 9) Delays in receiving of the Tax Revenues;
- 10) Competition from Internet based sales and services providers that are currently exempt from the Tax;
- 11) Other unforeseen competitive or economic factors or acts of God.

### **The Revenue Purpose Statement**

The Act provides that a school corporation may use Tax Revenues for school infrastructure purposes, as authorized pursuant to a Revenue Purpose Statement (the "RPS") which must be approved by the voters at a special election held for such purpose. The voters of the Issuer approved the RPS at an election held on November 5, 2019. The RPS describes the permitted uses of the Tax Revenue and is effective until January 1, 2051 unless repealed or amended. The RPS may be amended from time to time by the voters in the Issuer's boundaries. However, the RPS may not be amended in a way that would cause the school corporation to be unable to use Tax Revenues to repay validly issued School Infrastructure Sales, Services & Use Tax Revenue Bonds, including the Bonds.

### **Legislative Revisions of the Act**

A tax was originally enacted during the 1998 session of the Iowa General Assembly to set forth conditions under which bonds payable from a local sales and services tax may be issued (the "Prior Tax") and was amended by the General Assembly on multiple occasions after its enactment. The Act was initially enacted to repeal the Prior Tax effective July 1, 2008. Potential purchasers of the Bonds should recognize that the Act may be amended further while the Bonds are outstanding, and such legislation could materially revise the current provisions of the Act relating to the collection, payment, application, receipt or distribution of the Tax Revenues to the Issuer, subject to constitutional restraints on impairment of contracts. It cannot be predicted whether or in what form any proposal might be enacted or whether if enacted, it would apply to the Bonds issued prior to enactment. Any such legislative amendments could adversely affect the Issuer's ability to make timely payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds. Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel, the Municipal Advisor, Counsel to the Municipal Advisor, the Issuer or the Underwriter do not express any opinion regarding any pending or proposed legislation related to the Act.

In 2019, House File 546 was signed into law ("2019 Act") extending the Tax from December 31, 2029 to January 1, 2051. Provisions in the 2019 Act included an increase in the amount of the tax that is dedicated toward property tax relief, among others, under specific conditions related to the overall annual growth in the Tax, additional public hearing processes, expanded definition of "school infrastructure" and voter re-approval required for revenue purpose statements. Under the 2019 Act, an existing RPS approved by the voters of a school district before July 1, 2019 shall terminate on January 1, 2031 or the expiration date contained in the current RPS, whichever is earlier. On September 9,

2019, voters in the Issuer approved the current RPS, which expires when the Tax sunsets on January 1, 2051. The Project is an authorized school infrastructure project under the RPS.

In 2022, the Department's method of distributing Tax Revenues received was amended. The Act requires the Department to, annually prior to August 15, estimate the amount of revenue that will be remitted to the school corporations for the fiscal year beginning each July 1. Historically, the Department was required to remit 95% of the annual estimate of Tax revenues to be remitted to the school corporations in monthly installments over the fiscal year, and was allowed to retain 5% of the estimate until the end of the fiscal year, at which time the Department would complete an audit of the actual receipts and the actual remittances of the Tax. The Department would then reconcile the difference between the actual receipts and the estimated remittances and would remit the remaining balance to the school corporations on or around November 1 for the fiscal year ending the previous July 30 (the "Reconciliation Payment"). It was possible for the Reconciliation Payment to be a negative number if actual receipts were less than expected receipts by an amount greater than 5%. Beginning with the October 2022 transfer, the Department began transferring the actual amount of Tax Revenue attributable to each school corporation for the Tax Revenue remitted in the preceding month which eliminates the Reconciliation Payment.

The General Assembly periodically considers the creation of additional exemptions and there can be no assurance that additional sales tax exemptions will not be enacted in the future. Any such additional exemptions could materially reduce the amount of Tax Revenue allocated to the Issuer and adversely affect the Issuer's ability to make timely payments of principal and interest on the Bonds.

### **Legislative Change Related to School Choice**

In 2023 the State of Iowa adopted Legislation ("HF68") that established 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 school 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 31 students who resided within the boundaries of the Issuer but attended non-public schools 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. See "**SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS**" and "**ESTIMATED FUTURE SALES, SERVICES AND USE TAX RECEIPTS**" herein.

### **Additional Debt and Parity Bonds**

The Series 2026 Resolution permits the Issuer to incur additional indebtedness under certain circumstances, including bonds, notes or other obligations payable solely from the Tax Revenues on an equal basis with the Bonds, the Outstanding Bonds, and any Additional Bonds (as defined herein) as authorized to be issued under the terms of the Resolution (the "Parity Bonds") that could have a lien on the Tax Revenues on a parity basis with the lien securing the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds. Such additional debt could increase the Issuer's debt service and repayment requirement in a manner which would adversely affect debt service coverage on the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds. The Bonds are expected to be issued as Parity Bonds with the Outstanding Bonds.

### **Debt Payment History**

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

### **Secondary Market for the Bonds**

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 bond 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.**

## Ratings

S&P Global Ratings, a division of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P") 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 S&P, circumstances so warrant. A revision, suspension or withdrawal of a rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

## Matters Relating to Enforceability of Agreements/Limitation or Delay in Remedies

There is no Bond trustee or similar person to monitor or enforce the provisions of the Series 2026 Resolution for the Bonds. 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 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 Series 2026 Resolution) 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 Bonds, 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 Series 2026 Resolution.

The practical realization of any rights upon any default will depend upon the exercise of various remedies specified in the Series 2026 Resolution. The remedies available to the owners of the Bonds upon an event of default under the Series 2026 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 Series 2026 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 with respect to such assets will result in sufficient funds to pay all amounts due under the Series 2026 Resolution, including principal of and interest on the Bonds.

## Pension and OPEB Information

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, 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, 2024, the Issuer's IPERS contribution totaled approximately \$1,182,765. 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, 2024, at approximately \$6,192,144. 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 have the effect of negatively impacting the finances of the Issuer. See "**APPENDIX D – AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ISSUER**" for additional information on pension and liabilities of the Issuer.

## 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.

### **Tax Matters, Bank Qualification and Loss of Tax Exemption**

As discussed under the heading “**TAX EXEMPTION AND RELATED 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 Series 2026 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 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”). The Issuer has further covenanted to comply with certain other requirements, which affords banks and certain other financial institutions more favorable treatment of their deduction for interest expense than would otherwise be allowed under Section 265(b)(2) of the Code. However, the Issuer’s failure to comply with such covenants could affect the designation, which could cause the Bonds not to be “qualified tax-exempt obligations” and banks and certain other financial institutions would not receive more favorable treatment of their deduction for interest expense than would otherwise be allowed under Section 265(b)(2) of 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.

### **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.**”

### **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 Preliminary Official Statement under the heading “**THE BONDS – Redemption.**” 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.

### **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 security insurance coverage. The Issuer cannot predict whether this coverage would be sufficient in the event of a cyber incident.

## **Environmental and Climate-Related**

Due to recent increases in the frequency and intensity of extreme weather events and natural disasters, the Issuer and its residents and businesses may experience operational disruptions and increased costs for mitigation and recovery. The increased costs of risk-mitigation and recovery efforts cannot be determined with certainty due to the multiple factors associated with these costs, including but not limited to, the future frequency and intensity of these events, future legal and regulatory requirements, the costs of labor and materials used in mitigation and recovery, insurance rates and available coverages, and the level of state and federal assistance available.

## **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.

## **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 the Rule and may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Bonds and their market price.

## **Bankruptcy and Insolvency**

The rights and remedies provided in the Series 2026 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 creditors’ 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 Series 2026 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 Series 2026 Resolution. In the event the Issuer fails to comply with its covenants under the Series 2026 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 Iowa Code, 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 Iowa Code, or other political subdivision.

## **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, supply chain issues and negligence on the part of subcontractors, labor disputes, or unanticipated increase 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, 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 Issuer’s Facilities**

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

## **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.

### **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.

### **Risks as Employer**

The Issuer is a major employer, combining a 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.

### **Proposed 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.

### **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.

### **Factors Beyond Issuer's Control**

Economic and other factors beyond the Issuer's control, such as economic recession, deflation of property values, tariffs, 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.

### **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.

## **SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS**

### **The Tax; Collection and Remittance of the Tax**

#### Authorization

In 1998, the school districts in Iowa were allowed to implement on a county-by-county basis a \$0.01 school infrastructure local option sales and services tax, pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 423E, to be used for school infrastructure purposes, for ten-year periods. In 2008, the Iowa Legislature adopted the Act, which replaced the Prior Tax with a statewide \$0.01 school infrastructure sales, services and use tax. Under the Act, all Prior Taxes were repealed on July 1, 2008, in favor of the new Tax to be imposed through December 31, 2029. After July 1, 2008, the use of Tax Revenues received by each school district is governed by a RPS which must be approved by voters of a school district.

On November 5, 2019, voters in the school district approved the current RPS, which expires when the Tax sunsets on January 1, 2051. The Project is an authorized school infrastructure project under the RPS.

Issuance of Bonds

Under provisions of the Act, school corporations are authorized to issue sales tax revenue bonds payable from Tax Revenues. A school district receiving Tax Revenues may issue bonds in anticipation of the receipt of Tax Revenues and may pledge irrevocably an amount of Tax Revenues for each of the years the bonds remain outstanding to the payment of such bonds. Bonds may be issued only for one or more of the purposes set forth in the RPS as approved by the electors of the Issuer. Prior to the issuance of sales tax revenue bonds, school districts must hold a public hearing on the proposal to issue such bonds and must publish a notice of hearing not less than ten (10) nor more than twenty (20) days prior to such hearing. If a valid petition is received prior to fifteen (15) days after the public hearing requesting an election on the issuance of the bonds, the school district must either submit the question of issuing the bonds to an election of the voters or abandon the issuance of bonds.

The hearing on the issuance of the Bonds and the use of Tax Revenues for the infrastructure project was held on March 9, 2026. No petition was received requesting an election on the issuance of the Bonds or on the use of Tax Revenues for the project.

Imposition and Collection

The Tax is imposed on the same basis as the State of Iowa’s (the “State”) other sales, services and use taxes under Iowa Code Chapter 423, subchapters II and III. See “Legislative Revisions of the Act” included in “**CERTAIN BONDHOLDERS’ RISKS**”.

The Tax is collected by the retailers in the State and remitted at the end of each calendar month to the State. The Department remits the Tax to the school corporations on the last day of the next month. The Act requires the Department to, annually prior to August 15, estimate the amount of revenue that would be remitted to the school corporations for the fiscal year beginning each July 1. The Department transfers monthly to each school corporation the actual amount of Tax Revenue remitted to the Department attributable to the school corporation from the preceding month.

The Tax is remitted to each school corporation in the State based on actual enrollment for the fiscal year in question. The actual enrollment for a fiscal year is determined by a count of those students registered to attend the school corporation as of the previous October 1, or the Monday following if October 1 is on a Saturday or Sunday (as amended from time to time in the future by the Legislature). Each school corporation receives an equal amount of revenue from the Tax, per student, and all taxes collected under the Tax will be remitted to each school corporation based on their actual enrollment as a percentage of the total enrollment in the State.

With the extension of the Tax from December 31, 2029, to January 1, 2051, a change to the calculation of the remittance to schools was made. Previously, an annual allocation of 2.1% of available revenues were diverted to the Property Tax Equity Relief fund (“PTER”). Effective July 1, 2019, that amount increased to 3.1% and allows for an annual increase of 1.0% each subsequent year if the growth in total Tax revenues per year exceed 2.0%. For example, if Fiscal Year 2020 Tax revenues actually grew at 4.0%, there would be a 1.0% increase in the distribution amount to the PTER fund, making that amount 4.1% instead of 3.1% and passing on to the schools 3.0% instead of 4.0% growth. In any given year, if the annual growth of the Tax revenues is less than 2.0%, no additional amount will be diverted to the PTER fund. The maximum amount of Tax dollars that can be diverted is 30.0%. The amounts diverted now to the PTER fund will be divided among schools in two categories: one portion being shared by schools above the statewide average base tax levy rate, and the other portion shared by all schools equally. The 2019 legislation also created a category of annual competitive grant funds that will be administered through the State Department of Education for career academy infrastructure and equipment. The fund was established with \$1.0 million available in FY2020, and the fund may grow when the prior fiscal year’s growth rate exceeds 2.5%. The maximum annual amount that could be diverted in the future to this career academy fund would be \$5.0 million.

**HISTORICAL AND ESTIMATED STATEWIDE RECEIPTS OF THE TAX**

Presented below is the actual or estimated receipts of the Tax by the State and the allocations to the various funds pursuant to the 2019 Act, as discussed herein:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Total Collections</u>	<u>Allocated to PTR</u>	<u>Allocated to Career Academies</u>	<u>Allocated to schools</u>
2026	\$707,249,902	\$50,214,743	\$5,000,000	\$652,035,159
2025	694,062,710	49,278,452	5,000,000	639,784,258
2024	687,794,332	41,930,132	5,000,000	640,864,200
2023	626,759,000	38,232,299	5,000,000	583,526,701
2022	632,076,590	32,235,906	5,000,000	594,840,684

**CURRENT STATEWIDE RECEIPTS OF THE TAX – AVERAGE PER PUPIL RECEIPTS (5)**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Original State Estimate (1)</u>	<u>Statewide Disbursements (1)(2)</u>	<u>Statewide Enrollment (3)</u>	<u>Average Revenue per Student (4)</u>
2021	\$499,356,865	\$544,786,628	490,094	\$1,111.60
2022	540,481,659	594,840,684	484,159	1,228.61
2023	598,208,742	583,526,701	485,630	1,201.59
2024	600,005,449	640,864,200	486,476	1,317.36
2025	661,436,255	639,784,258	483,699	1,322.69
2026	652,679,943	652,679,943	480,665	1,357.87

- (1) Fiscal Year 2026 is a preliminary estimate, subject to change, as provided by the Department
- (2) Historical Payments through Fiscal Year 2025 as provided by the Department
- (3) Statewide Enrollment count is from the Prior October Count (i.e. the October 1, 2024 count is used for distributing Tax Revenues in Fiscal Year 2026)
- (4) Revenue calculations are provided on an accrual basis
- (5) FY2026 revenue per pupil estimate provided by the Department at \$1,357.87 and may be different than the actual distribution.

**ESTIMATED RECEIPTS OF THE TAX AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION – PER PUPIL BASIS (4)**

Table I: Assuming No Growth in Statewide Revenues & No Enrollment Changes (4)

<u>Fiscal Year (6/30)</u>	<u>Total Revenues (1)(5)</u>	<u>Total Enrollment (3)</u>	<u>Average Revenue Per Student (5)(6)</u>
2026	\$652,679,943	480,665	\$1,357.87
2027 & thereafter	\$652,679,943	473,329	\$1,378.91

Table II: Assuming Growth in Statewide Revenues & No Enrollment Changes

<u>Fiscal Year (6/30)</u>	<u>Total Revenues (1)(2)</u>	<u>Total Enrollment (3)</u>	<u>Average Revenue Per Student</u>
2027	\$662,470,142	473,329	1,399.60
2028	672,407,194	473,329	1,420.59
2029	682,493,302	473,329	1,441.90
2030	692,730,702	473,329	1,463.53
2031	703,121,662	473,329	1,485.48
2032	713,668,487	473,329	1,507.76
2033	724,373,514	473,329	1,530.38
2034	735,239,117	473,329	1,553.33
2035	746,267,704	473,329	1,576.64
2036	757,461,719	473,329	1,600.28
2037	768,823,645	473,329	1,624.29
2038	780,356,000	473,329	1,648.65
2039	792,061,340	473,329	1,673.38
2040	803,942,260	473,329	1,698.48
2041	816,001,394	473,329	1,723.96
2042	828,241,415	473,329	1,749.82
2043	840,665,036	473,329	1,776.07
2044	853,275,012	473,329	1,802.71
2045	866,074,137	473,329	1,829.75
2046	879,065,249	473,329	1,857.20
2047	892,251,228	473,329	1,885.05
2048	905,634,996	473,329	1,913.33
2049	919,219,521	473,329	1,942.03
2050	933,007,814	473,329	1,971.16
2051	473,501,465	473,329	2,000.73

- (1) Effective July 1, 2019 the Tax expires January 1, 2051 and schools will receive revenues for only one-half of Fiscal Year 2051
- (2) The assumption for growth in retail sales is based on an estimated growth rate of 1.50%. The statewide average percentage increases on a 25-year, 10-year, and 5-year historical basis were 2.564%, 1.835%, and 2.285% respectively.
- (3) For fiscal years after 2027, the enrollment assumes no changes from the October 1, 2025 certified enrollment numbers.
- (4) Revenue calculations are provided on an accrual basis and not cash basis.
- (5) Fiscal Year 2026-27 and thereafter Total Revenues assuming no growth from Fiscal year 2026 original estimates.
- (6) Fiscal Year 2026 average revenue per pupil estimate as provided by the Department using the October 1, 2024 certified enrollment. Fiscal Year 2027 average revenue per pupil estimate is calculated as the Fiscal Year 2026 total statewide revenues divided by October 1, 2025 certified enrollment.

**CALCULATIONS OF FISCAL YEAR TOTAL COLLECTIONS**

The 2022 Act requires the Department to pay the school districts in the State an amount equal to 100% of the actual amount received multiplied by the individual school district’s enrollment as a percentage of total statewide school enrollment. The Department is obligated to estimate revenues as of each August 15 of the fiscal year beginning July 1, and provide that revenue estimate to the school districts in the State, for planning purposes.

**HISTORICAL RESIDENT ENROLLMENT IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

<u>Count Date October 1</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Count Date October 1</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>
2001	2002-03	1,068.0	2014	2015-16	1,072.3
2002	2003-04	1,033.0	2015	2016-17	1,105.0
2003	2004-05	1,052.0	2016	2017-18	1,124.2
2004	2005-06	1,026.0	2017	2018-19	1,124.0
2005	2006-07	1,040.0	2018	2019-20	1,121.8
2006	2007-08	1,072.0	2019	2020-21	1,108.3
2007	2008-09	1,087.0	2020	2021-22	1,122.4
2008	2009-10	1,070.0	2021	2022-23	1,119.5
2009	2010-11	1,070.7	2022	2023-24	1,111.2
2010	2011-12	1,082.3	2023	2024-25	1,097.6
2011	2012-13	1,066.0	2024	2025-26	1,080.3
2012	2013-14	1,064.1	2025	2026-27	1,085.1
2013	2014-15	1,095.1			

**ACTUAL HISTORIC SALES, SERVICES & USE TAX REVENUE RECEIPTS (1) (2)**

Presented below is a table illustrating the actual Tax Revenues received by the Issuer for the period indicated on an accrual basis:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Total Revenues</u>	<u>Approximate Per Student</u>
2008	\$979,030	\$913
2009	\$1,031,574	\$949
2010	\$1,022,566	\$956
2011	\$993,639	\$928
2012	\$1,049,121	\$969
2013	\$926,456	\$869
2014	\$960,569	\$903
2015	\$1,010,347	\$923
2016	\$1,011,152	\$943
2017	\$1,038,391	\$940
2018	\$1,093,386	\$973
2019	\$1,118,627	\$995
2020	\$1,163,082	\$1,037
2021	\$1,231,986	\$1,112
2022	\$1,378,992	\$1,229
2023	\$1,344,396	\$1,201
2024	\$1,463,850	\$1,317
2025	\$1,451,785	\$1,323
2026	\$1,462,888	\$1,358

*\*Estimated for FY2026*

(1) Source: Iowa Department of Revenue  
 (2) FY26 revenues are estimated and provided by the Iowa Department of Revenue.

**ESTIMATED FUTURE SALES, SERVICES & USE TAX RECEIPTS**

Presented below is a table illustrating the estimated Tax Revenues received for the periods indicated, using the assumptions noted below:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Collection	Estimated Collection
	Without Growth	With Growth
	(1) (3)	(2) (4)
2027	1,496,255	1,518,706
2028	1,496,255	1,527,281
2029	1,496,255	1,535,771
2030	1,496,255	1,544,172
2031	1,496,255	1,567,335
2032	1,496,255	1,590,845
2033	1,496,255	1,614,707
2034	1,496,255	1,638,928
2035	1,496,255	1,663,512
2036	1,496,255	1,688,465

- (1) Assumes revenue per pupil as outlined in “ESTIMATED RECEIPTS OF THE TAX AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION – PER PUPIL BASIS – Table I” herein. Assumes no enrollment decline or increase of students per year from October 1, 2025 count used for Fiscal Year 2027 and thereafter.
- (2) Assumes revenue per pupil increase as outlined in “ESTIMATED RECEIPTS OF THE TAX AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION – PER PUPIL BASIS – Table II” herein
- (3) Assumes no increase or decrease in certified enrollment from the October 2025 count used for Fiscal Year 2027.
- (4) Assumes decrease in certified student count of 10 per year FY28-FY30, and stagnant thereafter.

**ESTIMATED DEBT SERVICE AND COVERAGE ON THE BONDS (2)**

Presented below are the annual debt service requirements on the Outstanding Bonds, the estimated annual debt service requirement on the Bonds and the estimated debt service coverage on the Bonds and the Outstanding Bonds, on an accrual basis:

Fiscal Year	Series 2017 P&I Payments	Estimated Series 2026 P&I Payments	Combined P&I Payments	No Growth Assumed		Growth Assumed	
		(1)		Estimated Collections	Estimated Coverage	Estimated Collections	Estimated Coverage
		(1)	(1)	(2) (4)		(3) (5)	
2027	601,921	261,006	862,927	1,496,255	1.73	1,518,706	1.76
2028	605,631	267,895	873,526	1,496,255	1.71	1,527,281	1.75
2029		593,795	593,795	1,496,255	2.52	1,535,771	2.59
2030		596,165	596,165	1,496,255	2.51	1,544,172	2.59
2031		597,715	597,715	1,496,255	2.50	1,567,335	2.62
2032		593,445	593,445	1,496,255	2.52	1,590,845	2.68
2033		593,560	593,560	1,496,255	2.52	1,614,707	2.72
2034		597,855	597,855	1,496,255	2.50	1,638,928	2.74
2035		596,125	596,125	1,496,255	2.51	1,663,512	2.79
2036		598,575	598,575	1,496,255	2.50	1,688,465	2.82
	1,207,552	5,296,136	6,503,688				

- (1) Represents estimated Debt Service on the Bonds and outstanding parity bonds. Preliminary, subject to change.
- (2) Future revenue estimates assume no enrollment decline or increase of students per year from October 1, 2025 count used for Fiscal Year 2027.
- (3) Future revenue estimates assume decrease in certified student count of 10 per year FY28-FY30, and stagnant thereafter.
- (4) Assumes revenue per pupil as outlined in “ESTIMATED RECEIPTS OF THE TAX AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION – PER PUPIL BASIS – Table I” herein and District receipt estimates as outlined in “ESTIMATED FUTURE SALES, SERVICES & USE TAX RECEIPTS”
- (5) Assumes revenue per pupil as outlined in “ESTIMATED RECEIPTS OF THE TAX AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION – PER PUPIL BASIS – Table II” herein and District receipt estimates as outlined in “ESTIMATED FUTURE SALES, SERVICES & USE TAX RECEIPTS”

## Summary of Bond Resolution

Definitions. The following terms with or without capitalization shall have the following meanings in the Resolution unless the text expressly or by necessary implication requires otherwise:

- "Act" shall mean Iowa Code Chapter 423F, as from time to time amended and supplemented.
- "Additional Bonds" shall mean any obligation payable from School Infrastructure Tax Revenues issued on a parity with the Bonds in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution.
- "Authorized Denominations" shall mean \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.
- "Beneficial Owner" shall mean the person in whose name such Bond is recorded as the beneficial owner of a Bond by a Participant on the records of such Participant or such person's subrogee.
- Option: "Bond Insurer" shall mean \_\_\_\_\_, its successors and assigns.
- "Bond Proceeds" shall mean the amount actually received from the sale of the Bonds and paid to the Issuer on the Closing Date.
- "Bond(s)" shall mean \$ \_\_\_\_\_ School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2026, authorized to be issued by this Resolution.
- "Cede & Co." shall mean Cede & Co., the nominee of DTC, and any successor nominee of DTC with respect to the Bonds.
- "Closing Date" shall mean the date of the delivery of the Bonds in exchange for the agreed upon purchase price.
- "Continuing Disclosure Certificate" shall mean that certain Continuing Disclosure Certificate executed by the Issuer and dated the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds, as originally executed and as it may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.
- "Debt Service Fund" shall mean the Sinking Fund.
- "Depository Bonds" shall mean the Bonds as issued in the form of one global certificate for each maturity, registered in the Registration Books maintained by the Registrar in the name of DTC or its nominee.
- "DTC" shall mean The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, a limited purpose trust company, or any successor book-entry securities depository appointed for the Bonds.
- "Economic Refunding" shall mean the sale and issuance of refunding bonds issued to discharge and satisfy all or a part of the Bonds or the Outstanding Bonds in accordance with Section 20 of this Resolution, and to pay costs of issuance. The refunding must (i) produce annual debt service on the refunding bonds not greater than the total (remaining) debt service on the refunded bonds; (ii) shall not have a payment in any Fiscal Year (through maturity of the new bonds) that is greater than the payment on the Bonds or Outstanding Bonds being refunded, and (iii) shall not extend the final maturity of the refunded bonds.
- "Fiscal Year" shall mean the twelve-month period beginning on July 1 of each year and ending on the last day of June of the following year, or any other consecutive twelve-month period adopted by the Governing Body or by law as the official accounting period of the Issuer. Requirements of a Fiscal Year as expressed in this Resolution shall exclude any payment of principal or interest falling due on the first day of the Fiscal Year and include any payment of principal or interest falling due on the first day of the succeeding Fiscal Year.
- "Governing Body" shall mean the Board of Directors of the School District.
- "Independent Auditor" shall mean an independent firm of Certified Public Accountants, an independent financial consultant, placement agent representing the Issuer, Municipal Advisor, or the Auditor of State.
- "Issuer" and "School District" shall mean the Mount Vernon Community School District, counties of Johnson, Jones and Linn, State of Iowa.
- "Original Purchaser" shall mean \_\_\_\_\_.
- "Outstanding Bonds" shall mean the \$5,816,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds dated November 7, 2017, issued in accordance with the Prior Bond Resolution, of which \$1,730,000 of the bonds are still outstanding and unpaid and remain a lien on the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues.
- "Parity Bonds" shall mean School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, notes or other obligations payable solely from the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues on an equal basis with the Bonds and shall include Additional Bonds as authorized to be issued under the terms of this Resolution.
- "Participants" shall mean those broker-dealers, banks and other financial institutions for which DTC holds Bonds as securities depository.
- "Paying Agent" shall mean UMB Bank, N.A., or such successor as may be approved by Issuer as provided herein and who shall carry out the duties prescribed herein as Issuer's agent to provide for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same shall become due.
- "Permitted Investments" shall mean any investments permitted in Iowa Code Chapter 12B or Section 12C.9. All interim investments must mature before the date on which the moneys are required for payment of principal and interest on the Bonds or project costs.
- "Prior Bond Resolution" shall mean a certain resolution adopted by the Issuer on October 23, 2017 authorizing the issuance of the Outstanding Bonds.
- "Project" shall mean a school infrastructure project as authorized by the electors at the election held November 5, 2019 and the Act, including to construct site improvements at the Elementary School and Middle School campus, including parking lot improvements, sidewalk additions, and other related site improvements; and to remove, abate, and replace asbestos containing shingles on the exterior of the Middle School, with related improvements to the building exterior.

- "Project Fund" shall mean the fund required to be established by this Resolution for the deposit of the proceeds of the Bonds.
- "Rebate Fund" shall mean the rebate fund so defined in and established pursuant to the Tax Exemption Certificate and as provided in Section 21 of this Resolution.
- "Registrar" shall mean UMB Bank, N.A. of West Des Moines, Iowa, or such successor as may be approved by Issuer as provided herein and who shall carry out the duties prescribed herein with respect to maintaining a register of the owners of the Bonds. Unless otherwise specified, the Registrar shall also act as Transfer Agent for the Bonds.
- "Representation Letter" shall mean the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations executed and delivered by the Issuer to DTC on file with DTC.
- "Reserve Fund" shall mean the reserve fund established in Section 16 of this Resolution.
- "Reserve Fund Requirement" shall mean an amount equal to the lesser of (a) the maximum amount of the principal and interest coming due on the Bonds and any Additional Bonds secured by the Reserve Fund; (b) 10% of the stated principal amount of the Bonds and any Additional Bonds secured by the Reserve Fund (for issues with original issue discount the issue price as defined in the Tax Exemption Certificate shall be substituted for the stated principal amount) or (c) 125% of the average principal and interest coming due on the Bonds and any Additional Bonds secured by the Reserve Fund. For purposes of this definition: (1) "issue price" shall be substituted for "stated principal amount" for issues with original issue discount or original issue premium of more than a de minimus amount and (2) stated principal amount shall not include any portion of an issue refunded or advance refunded by a subsequent issue.
- "Revenue Fund" shall mean the revenue fund established in Section 16 of this Resolution.
- "School Infrastructure Tax" shall mean the School District's portion of the one percent (1%) sales, services and use tax imposed by the State of Iowa for school infrastructure purposes which must be deposited into the State Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund and distributed to the School District pursuant to Iowa Code Section 423F.2, as amended.
- "School Infrastructure Tax Revenues" shall mean all of the revenues received by the School District in each Fiscal Year from the imposition of the School Infrastructure Tax (including, without limitation, any revenues received by the School District from interest and penalties on delinquent collections of the School Infrastructure Tax).
- "Secretary" shall mean the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the School District, or such other officer of the successor Governing Body as shall be charged with substantially the same duties and responsibilities.
- "Sinking Fund" shall mean the sinking fund established in Section 16 of this Resolution.
- "State" shall mean the State of Iowa.
- "Tax Exemption Certificate" shall mean the Tax Exemption Certificate executed by the Treasurer and delivered at the time of issuance and delivery of the Bonds.
- "Treasurer" shall mean the Treasurer of the School District or such other officer as shall succeed to the same duties and responsibilities with respect to the recording and payment of the Bonds issued hereunder.
- "Yield Restricted" shall mean any amount required to be invested at a yield that is not materially higher than the yield on the Bonds under Section 148(a) of the Internal Revenue Code or regulations issued thereunder.

#### Funds and Accounts

Project Fund. The Bond Resolution creates a Project Fund, to be held by the Issuer, into which the balance of the Bond Proceeds shall be deposited and expended therefrom for the purposes of issuance. Any amounts on hand in the Project Fund shall be available for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds at any time that other School Infrastructure Tax Revenues shall be insufficient to the purpose, in which event such funds shall be repaid to the Project Fund at the earliest opportunity. Any balance on hand in the Project Fund and not immediately required for its purposes may be invested not inconsistent with limitations provided by law, the Internal Revenue Code and this Resolution.

Application of Revenues. The provisions of the Prior Bond Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed. Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to impair the rights vested in the Outstanding Bonds. The amounts herein required to be paid into the various funds named in this Section shall be inclusive of payments required in respect to the Outstanding Bonds. The provisions of the Prior Bond Resolution authorizing the Outstanding Bonds and the provisions of this Resolution are to be construed wherever possible so that the same will not be in conflict. In the event such construction is not possible, the provisions of the resolution first adopted shall prevail until such time as the bonds authorized by said resolution have been paid in full or otherwise satisfied as therein provided at which time the provisions of this Resolution shall again prevail.

As long as any of the Outstanding Bonds, the Bonds or Parity Bonds shall be outstanding and unpaid either as to principal or interest, or until all of the Bonds and Parity Bonds then outstanding shall have been discharged and satisfied in the manner provided in this Resolution, all of the receipts of the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues shall be deposited as collected with the Issuer in a special fund to be known as the Mount Vernon Community School District School Infrastructure Sales and Services Tax Revenue Fund (the "Revenue Fund"), to be held by the Issuer and shall be disbursed in the following priority and only as follows:

1. Sinking Fund. The provisions in the Prior Bond Resolution, whereby there was created and is to be maintained a Sinking Fund, to be held by or on behalf of the Issuer and for the monthly payment into said fund from future School Infrastructure Tax Revenues such portion thereof as will be sufficient to meet the principal and interest of the Outstanding Bonds are hereby ratified and confirmed; provided, however, that the

amounts to be set aside and paid into the Sinking Fund in equal monthly installments from the Revenue Fund shall be sufficient to pay the principal and interest due each year, not only on the Outstanding Bonds, but also the principal and interest of the Bonds herein authorized to be issued. The required amount to be deposited in the Sinking Fund in any month shall be the equal monthly amount necessary to pay in full the installment of interest coming due on the next interest payment date on the Outstanding Bonds, and the then outstanding Bonds and Parity Bonds plus the equal monthly amount necessary to pay in full the installment of principal coming due on such Outstanding Bonds, and the Bonds on the next succeeding principal payment date until the full amount of such installment is on hand. If for any reason the amount on hand in the Sinking Fund exceeds the required amount, the excess shall forthwith be withdrawn and paid into the Revenue Fund. Money in the Sinking Fund shall be used solely for the purpose of paying principal of and interest on the Outstanding Bonds, the Bonds and Parity Bonds as the same shall become due and payable. Accrued interest, if any, shall be deposited in the Sinking Fund.

2. Reserve Fund. Money in the Revenue Fund shall next be disbursed to maintain a debt service reserve in an amount equal to the Reserve Fund Requirement which shall be held by or on behalf of the Issuer. Such fund shall be known as the School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Debt Service Reserve Fund (the "Reserve Fund") and shall only secure the Bonds. In each month there shall be deposited in the Reserve Fund an amount equal to 100 percent of the amount required by this Resolution to be deposited in such month in the Sinking Fund; provided, however, that when the amount on deposit in the Reserve Fund shall be not less than the Reserve Fund Requirement, no further deposits shall be made into the Reserve Fund except to maintain such level, and when the amount on deposit in the Reserve Fund is greater than the balance required above, such additional amounts shall be withdrawn and paid into the Revenue Fund. Money in the Reserve Fund shall be used solely for the purpose of paying principal at maturity of or interest on the Bonds for the payment of which insufficient money shall be available in the Sinking Fund. Whenever it shall become necessary to so use money in the Reserve Fund, the payments required above shall be continued or resumed until it shall have been restored to the required minimum amount. On the Closing Date, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ of the Bond Proceeds shall be deposited in the Reserve Fund. A future Reserve Fund Subaccount may be established for Additional Bonds to secure the payment of such Additional Bonds at the option of the Issuer and the terms and conditions of the purchase of such Additional Bonds.

3. Subordinate Obligations. Money in the Revenue Fund may next be used to pay principal of and interest on (including reasonable reserves therefor) any other obligations which by their terms shall be payable from the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues, but subordinate to the Bonds and Parity Bonds.

4. Surplus Revenue. Any remaining money may be used to pay or redeem any of the Bonds or Parity Bonds or may be used for any lawful purpose.

Money in the Revenue Fund shall be allotted and paid into the various funds and accounts hereinbefore referred to in the order in which said funds are listed, on a cumulative basis on or before the 15th day of each month, or on the next succeeding business day when the 15th shall not be a business day; and if in any month the money in the Revenue Fund (including the Sinking Fund or the Reserve Fund), shall be insufficient to deposit or transfer the required amount in any of said funds or accounts, the deficiency shall be made up in the following month or months after payments into all funds and accounts enjoying a prior claim to the revenues shall have been met in full. The Issuer may establish various subaccounts within each fund established by the Prior Bond Resolution or this Resolution.

Failure to make such allocation and payment without cure within thirty days shall constitute an event of default under this Resolution.

Investments. Moneys on hand in the Project Fund and all of the funds provided by this Resolution may be invested only in Permitted Investments or deposited in financial institutions which are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or its equivalent successor, and the deposits in which are insured thereby and all such deposits exceeding the maximum amount insured from time to time by FDIC or its equivalent successor in any one financial institution shall be continuously secured in compliance with the State Sinking Fund provided under Iowa Code Chapter 12C, or otherwise by a valid pledge of direct obligations of the United States Government having an equivalent market value. All investments shall mature before the date on which the moneys are required for the purposes for which the fund was created or otherwise as herein provided but in no event maturing in more than three years in the case of the Reserve Fund. The provisions of this Section shall not be construed to require the Issuer to maintain separate accounts for the funds created by this Section.

The Sinking Fund and the Reserve Fund shall be segregated in a separate account but may be invested in the same manner as other funds of the School District but designated as a trust fund on the books and records of the School District. The Sinking Fund and Reserve Fund shall not be available for any other purposes other than those specified in this Resolution.

All income derived from such investments in the Revenue Fund shall be regarded as School Infrastructure Tax Revenues.

Earnings on investments of the Project Fund shall be deposited in and expended from the Project Fund.

Investments shall at any time necessary be liquidated and the proceeds thereof applied to the purpose for which the respective fund was created.

Prior Lien and Parity Bonds; Subordinate Obligations. So long as the Outstanding Bonds remain a lien on the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues, Section 19 of the Prior Bond Resolution shall apply. Thereafter, this Section shall apply.

The Issuer will issue no other Additional Bonds or obligations of any kind or nature payable from or enjoying a lien or claim on the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues having priority over the Bonds or Parity Bonds.

Additional Bonds may be issued on a parity and equality of rank with the Bonds and any Parity Bonds with respect to the lien and claim of such Additional Bonds to the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues and the money on deposit in the funds adopted by this Resolution, for the following purposes and under the following conditions, but not otherwise:

- a) For the purpose of refunding any of the Bonds or Parity Bonds outstanding so long as the refunding is an Economic Refunding, without complying with subsection (b) below.
- b) For the purpose of refunding any Bonds or Parity Bonds outstanding, or for other lawful purposes, provided that, before any such Additional Bonds ranking on a parity are issued, there will have been procured and filed with the Secretary, a statement of an Independent Auditor reciting the opinion based upon necessary investigations that the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues for the preceding Fiscal Year (with adjustments as hereinafter provided) were equal to at least 1.30 times the maximum amount that will be required in any Fiscal Year for the payment of both principal of and interest on all Bonds or Parity Bonds then outstanding which are payable from the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues and the Additional Bonds then proposed to be issued.

For the purpose of determining the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues for the preceding Fiscal Year, the amount of the revenues for such year may be adjusted by the Independent Auditor to reflect: (1) any revision of the rate of the School Infrastructure Tax as if such revision had been in effect during all of such preceding Fiscal Year; (2) the current level at which the State funds the Statewide Average Revenue Per Student then in effect for the year in which the Additional Bonds are issued. For the purpose of determining the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues for the preceding Fiscal Year, the amount of revenues for such year may be adjusted by the Independent Auditor to reflect the most recent certified enrollment count of students for the School District.

c) Reserved.

d) for the purposes of this Section, principal and interest falling due on the first day of a Fiscal Year shall be deemed a requirement of the immediately preceding Fiscal Year.

e) the Reserve Fund for the Bonds and the Additional Bonds, if required, must be fully funded as of the date of issue of the Additional Bonds.

The Issuer may issue any bonds, notes, or other obligations that are subordinate to the Bonds ("Subordinate Obligations").

Amendment of Resolution Without Consent. The Issuer may, without the consent of or notice to any of the holders of the Bonds and Parity Bonds, amend or supplement the Bond Resolution for any one or more of the following purposes:

- a) to cure any ambiguity, defect, omission or inconsistent provision in the Bond Resolution or in the Bonds or Parity Bonds; or to comply with any applicable provision of law or regulation of federal or state agencies; provided, however, that such action shall not materially adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Bonds or Parity Bonds;
- b) to change the terms or provisions of the Bond Resolution to the extent necessary to prevent the interest on the Bonds or Parity Bonds from being includable within the gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes;
- c) to grant to or confer upon the holders of the Bonds or Parity Bonds any additional rights, remedies, powers or authority that may lawfully be granted to or conferred upon the bondholders;
- d) to add to the covenants and agreements of the Issuer contained in the Bond Resolution other covenants and agreements of, or conditions or restrictions upon, the Issuer or to surrender or eliminate any right or power reserved to or conferred upon the Issuer in this Resolution; or
- e) to subject to the lien and pledge of the Bond Resolution additional pledged revenues as may be permitted by law.

Amendment of Resolution Requiring Consent. The Bond Resolution may be amended from time to time if such amendment shall have been consented to by holders of not less than two-thirds in principal amount of the Bonds and Parity Bonds at any time outstanding (not including in any case any bonds which may then be held or owned by or for the account of the Issuer, but including such refunding bonds as may have been issued for the purpose of refunding any of such bonds if such refunding bonds shall not then be owned by the Issuer); but the Bond Resolution may not be so amended in such manner as to:

- a) Make any change in the maturity or interest rate of the Bonds, or modify the terms of payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds or any of them or impose any conditions with respect to such payment;

- b) Materially affect the rights of the holders of less than all of the Bonds and Parity Bonds then outstanding; and
- c) Reduce the percentage of the principal amount of Bonds, the consent of the holders of which is required to affect a further amendment.

Whenever the Issuer shall propose to amend the Bond Resolution under the provisions of this Section, it shall cause notice of the proposed amendment to be filed with the Original Purchaser and to be mailed by certified mail to each registered owner of any Bond as shown by the records of the Registrar. Such notice shall set forth the nature of the proposed amendment and shall state that a copy of the proposed amendatory Resolution is on file in the office of the Secretary.

Whenever at any time within one year from the date of the mailing of said notice there shall be filed with the Secretary an instrument or instruments executed by the holders of at least two-thirds in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then outstanding as in this Section defined, which instrument or instruments shall refer to the proposed amendatory Resolution described in said notice and shall specifically consent to and approve the adoption thereof, thereupon, but not otherwise, the governing body of the Issuer may adopt such amendatory Resolution and such Resolution shall become effective and binding upon the holders of all of the Bonds and Parity Bonds.

Any consent given by the holder of a bond pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be irrevocable for a period of six months from the date of the instrument evidencing such consent and shall be conclusive and binding upon all future holders of the same bond during such period. Such consent may be revoked at any time after six months from the date of such instrument by the holder who gave such consent or by a successor in title by filing notice of such revocation with the Secretary.

The fact and date of the execution of any instrument under the provisions of this Section may be proved by the certificate of any officer in any jurisdiction who by the laws thereof is authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds within such jurisdiction that the person signing such instrument acknowledged before him the execution thereof, or may be proved by an affidavit of a witness to such execution sworn to before such officer.

The amount and numbers of the bonds held by any person executing such instrument and the date of his holding the same may be proved by an affidavit by such person or by a certificate executed by an officer of a bank or trust company showing that on the date therein mentioned such person had on deposit with such bank or trust company the bonds described in such certificate.

Discharge and Satisfaction of Bonds. The covenants, liens and pledges entered into, created or imposed pursuant to this Resolution may be fully discharged and satisfied with respect to the Bonds and Parity Bonds, or any of them, in any one or more of the following ways:

- a) By paying the Bonds or Parity Bonds when the same shall become due and payable; and
- b) By depositing in trust with the Treasurer, or with a corporate trustee designated by the Governing Body for the payment of said obligations and irrevocably appropriated exclusively to that purpose an amount in cash or direct obligations of the United States the maturities and income of which shall be sufficient to retire at maturity, or by redemption prior to maturity on a designated date upon which said obligations may be redeemed, all of such obligations outstanding at the time, together with the interest thereon to maturity or to the designated redemption date, premiums thereon, if any that may be payable on the redemption of the same; provided that proper notice of redemption of all such obligations to be redeemed shall have been previously published or provisions shall have been made for such publication.

Upon such payment or deposit of money or securities, or both, in the amount and manner provided by this Section, all liability of the Issuer with respect to the Bonds or Parity Bonds shall cease, determine and be completely discharged, and the holders thereof shall be entitled only to payment out of the money or securities so deposited.

## **THE PROJECT**

Proceeds of the Bonds will be used for the purpose of providing funds to i) construct site improvements at the Elementary School and Middle School campus, including parking lot improvements, sidewalk additions, and other related site improvements; and to remove, abate, and replace asbestos containing shingles on the exterior of the Middle School, with related improvements to the building exterior, ii) to establish and fund a Debt Service Reserve Fund, and iii) to pay costs of issuance for the Bonds

**Estimated Sources & Uses of Funds \***

SOURCES OF FUNDS	Bond Proceeds	\$4,195,000*
	Original Reoffering Premium	
TOTAL SOURCES		
USES OF FUNDS	Project Costs	
	Issuance Costs	
	Debt Service Reserve Fund	
	Underwriters Discount	
TOTAL USES OF FUNDS		

\* Preliminary, subject to change

**Future Debt**

The District does not expect to issue any additional debt in calendar year 2026.

**LITIGATION**

To the best of the Issuer’s knowledge, no litigation is pending or threatened which, if decided adversely to the Issuer would be likely to result, either individually or in the aggregate, in final judgments against the Issuer which would materially adversely affect the transaction contemplated by this Official Statement, the validity of the Bonds, the Issuer’s ability to meet debt service payments on the Bonds when due, or its obligations under the Resolution, or which would materially adversely affect its financial position.

**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.

**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 under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and interest on the Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax on individuals; however, such interest on the Bonds may be taken into account for the purpose of 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.

#### Qualified Tax Exemption Obligations

The Bonds will 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"), and has further covenanted to comply with certain other requirements, which affords banks and certain other financial institutions more favorable treatment of their deduction for interest expense than would otherwise be allowed under Section 265(b)(2) of the Code. However, the Issuer's failure to comply with such covenants could cause the Bonds not to be "qualified tax-exempt obligations" and banks and certain other financial institutions would not receive more favorable treatment of their deduction for interest expense than would otherwise be allowed under Section 265(b)(2) of 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. The introduction or enactment of any other legislative proposals, clarification of the Code or court decisions may also affect, perhaps significantly, the market price for, or marketability of, the Bonds. 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 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 PC, 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**", "**SOURCE AND 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. The Municipal Advisor has not been engaged, nor has it undertaken, to independently verify the accuracy, completion or fairness of such information within the Official Statement but has relied upon governmental officials, and other sources who have access to relevant data to provide accurate 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 (the "Undertaking") 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 notices of events, if any, are also to be filed 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 the Rule.

A failure by the Issuer 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 Issuer to comply with its obligations under the Continuing Disclosure Certificate. Direct, indirect, consequential, and punitive damages shall not be recoverable by any person for any default thereunder.

If the Issuer fails to comply with any provision of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, the sole remedy available shall be an action to compel performance. A failure by the Issuer 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.

Pursuant to the Rule, during the previous five (5) year period, the Issuer believes it has complied in all material aspects with regard to its prior undertakings, except:

The Issuer issued \$3,000,000 General Obligation School Capital Loan Notes, Series 2022 on November 7, 2022, but did not timely file an event notice. The Issuer filed a Failure to File Notice on April 2, 2026.

The Issuer approved a Lease Purchase Agreement with Apple, Inc. for computers on April 14, 2025, but did not timely file an event notice. The Issuer filed a Failure to File Notice on April 2, 2026.

The Issuer approved a Lease with Dell Financial Services, L.L.C. on January 12, 2026 for Chromebook computers, but did not timely file an event notice. The Issuer filed a Failure to File Notice on April 2, 2026.

The Issuer submitted unaudited financial information for Fiscal Years 2024, 2023 and 2022. However, the unaudited submissions did not conform to the format or type of financial statements presented in the final Official Statement. Audited financial statements for these years were subsequently filed at later dates.

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 Bonds, the Series 2026 Resolution and other documents, agreements and statutes are included in this Official Statement. The summaries or references herein to the Bonds, the Series 2026 Resolution and other documents, agreements 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 entireties 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 it 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.

MOUNT VERNON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, STATE OF IOWA

/s/Michael Marshall  
Board Secretary

**APPENDIX A – GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE ISSUER**

**MOUNT VERNON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IOWA  
DISTRICT OFFICIALS**

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	Rick Elliott
<b>BOARD MEMBERS</b>	Jeremy Kunz, Vice President Jason Clark Maggie Hartzler Tim Keegan Suzette Kragenbrink Kristi Meyer
<b>SUPERINTENDENT</b>	Matthew Leeman
<b>DISTRICT SECRETARY</b>	Michael Marshall
<b>DISTRICT TREASURER</b>	Michael Marshall
<b>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</b>	Brett Nitzschke

**CONSULTANTS**

<b>BOND COUNSEL</b>	Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. Des Moines, Iowa
<b>DISCLOSURE COUNSEL</b>	Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. Des Moines, Iowa
<b>MUNICIPAL ADVISOR</b>	Piper Sandler & Co. Des Moines, Iowa
<b>PAYING AGENT</b>	UMB Bank, n.a. West Des Moines, Iowa

**General Information**

The Mount Vernon Community School District (the “Issuer” or the “District”) is located in and around the historic and scenic City of Mount Vernon in east central Iowa. The City of Mount Vernon is 13 miles east of Cedar Rapids on the east-west U.S. Highway 30 and 22 miles north of Iowa City on the north-south State Highway 1. The district encompasses approximately 76 square miles and resides mostly in Linn County but also serves a small portion of Johnson and Jones Counties.

**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	2006	9-12
Middle School	1971, 2006, 2010	5-8
Elementary School	1956, 1989, 2012	PK-4

**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)</u>	<u>Open Enroll In</u>	<u>Open Enroll Out</u>	<u>Total Served (5)</u>
October-25	2026-27	1,085.10	398.70	95.90	1,387.9
October-24	2025-26	1,080.30	392.60	88.90	1,384.00
October-23	2024-25	1,097.60	369.40	98.80	1,368.20
October-22	2023-24	1,111.20	341.50	96.50	1,356.20
October-21	2022-23	1,119.50	328.40	91.50	1,356.40

**Staff (1)**

Presented below is a list of the Issuer's 197 employees.

Administrators:	5	Media Specialists:	2
Teachers:	102	Nurses:	2
Teacher Aids:	37	Guidance:	4
Custodians:	6	Secretaries:	10
Food Service:	15	Transportation:	8
Other:	4	Maintenance:	2

**Population (2)**

Presented below are population figures for the periods indicated for the city of Mount Vernon:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Population</u>
2020	4,527
2010	4,506
2000	3,890
1990	3,657
1980	3,325
1970	3,018

(1) Source: the Issuer

(2) Source: U.S. Census Bureau

(3) Source: Iowa Department of Education

(4) Used for State Aid distribution and Sales Tax distribution

(5) For each fiscal year, the school district into which any student open-enrolls, sends an invoice to the home district in the amount of the 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 administers a single-employer 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, 2023, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	5
<u>Active employees</u>	<u>185</u>
 Total	 190

Total OPEB Liability – The Issuer’s total OPEB liability of \$329,631 was measured as of June 30, 2024, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions – the total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2024 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	2.50%
Rates of salary increase including inflation	0%
Discount rate including inflation	3.97%
Healthcare cost trend rate	7.6% for FY24, gradually decreasing over several decades to an ultimate rate of 3.9% in FY2076 and later years

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-1020 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.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience studies for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability:

Total OPEB obligation – beginning of year	\$311,959
Changes for the year	
	Service Cost 20,175
	Interest 12,584
	Difference between expected & actual experiences -
	Change in assumption (2,828)
	<u>Benefit Payments (12,259)</u>
Net Changes	17,672
Net OPEB obligation – end of year	\$329,631

(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
2021	\$1,074,329	9.44	\$715,840.30	6.29
2022	1,103,368	9.44	730,699.34	6.29
2023	1,143,826	9.44	756,691.36	6.29
2024	1,182,765	9.44	788,360.10	6.29
2025	1,111,111	9.44	740,348.26	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 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 %
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 Accrued 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]]
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, 2024, the Issuer reported a liability of \$6,192,144 for its proportional share of the IPERS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023 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](http://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 February 28, 2026:

<u>Type of Investment</u>	<u>Amount Invested</u>
Local Bank Money Market	\$0
Local Bank Deposit Accounts	2,570,950.68
Local Bank Time CD’s	0
ISJIT Money Market	1,460,325.10
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 located within the Issuer:

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Approximate Employees</u>
Mount Vernon CSD	Education	100-249
Hallmark Care Center	Outpatient services	50-99
Gary's Foods	Grocery store	50-99
Casey's	Convenience store	20-49
Lynch Chevrolet	Car dealer	20-49
Lynch Ford	Car dealer	20-49
Mt Vernon Ace Hardware	Retail store	20-49
Mt Vernon Pharmacy	Pharmacy	20-49
Lisbon-Mt Vernon Ambulance	Ambulance services	20-49
US Nameplate Co	Screen printing	20-49
City of Mount Vernon Pool	Public swimming pool	20-49
Mount Vernon Bank & Trust	Banking	20-49
Mt Vernon Family Practice	Health care	20-49
Iowa Choral Directors Association	Association	20-49
Mt Vernon Appliance Repair	Repair service	20-49
P & K Midwest	Farm equipment – wholesale	20-49
Night Shift Commercial Cleaning Svc	Janitorial services	10-19
East End Art	Art center	10-19
Kemoustic Golf Club	Golf course	10-19
Mount Vernon Construction Co	Caulking contractors	10-19
Poly Vinyl Roofing	Roofing contractors	10-19
Hills Bank & Trust	Banking	10-19
Downtown Dental	Dentist	10-19
Mercycare Community Physicians	Physicians & surgeons	10-19
Central Furniture Rescue	Furniture store	10-19
Plaza Auto Auction	Auto auction	10-19

## Property Tax Assessment (2) (3)

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	Residential	Ag. Land & Bldgs	Commercial	Multi-residential	Railroad	Chap 437	Chap 428/438	Industrial
						Utilities	Utilities	
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, 2022 are used to calculate tax liability for the tax year starting July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Presented below are the historic property valuations of the Issuer by class of property.

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

(2) Source: Iowa Department of Revenue

(3) 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.

## Property Valuations (1)

Actual Valuation					
Valuation as of January	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
Residential:	707,876,618	618,150,387	619,361,505	487,212,817	470,503,503
Agricultural Land:	89,138,510	76,136,182	76,343,147	59,256,008	59,322,501
Ag Buildings:	6,318,273	5,544,988	5,080,884	2,377,763	1,940,052
Commercial:	49,552,011	41,711,399	42,840,718	34,311,700	34,482,899
Industrial:	1,885,481	1,396,544	1,429,959	1,047,616	1,033,561
Multiresidential:	0	0	0	0	9,093,706
Reserved:	0	0	0	0	0
Railroads:	11,021,421	11,268,873	10,992,084	10,656,286	9,947,364
Utilities:	2,818,375	2,462,045	3,518,026	3,601,060	4,782,507
Other:	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Valuation:</b>	<b>868,610,689</b>	<b>756,670,418</b>	<b>759,566,323</b>	<b>598,463,250</b>	<b>591,106,093</b>
Less Military:	708,000	708,000	744,000	344,472	370,400
Less Homestead:	3,666,000	3,603,182	1,774,500		
<b>Net Valuation:</b>	<b>864,236,689</b>	<b>752,359,236</b>	<b>757,047,823</b>	<b>598,118,778</b>	<b>590,735,693</b>
TIF Valuation:	55,010,417	69,821,120	52,872,207	36,114,338	29,341,380
Utility Replacement:	43,248,855	43,613,164	39,786,826	38,524,796	38,135,156
Taxable Valuation					
Valuation as of January	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
Residential:	299,421,844	276,710,484	275,434,644	251,380,261	242,983,691
Agricultural Land:	52,882,666	56,165,027	54,792,039	54,291,395	52,806,809
Ag Buildings:	3,751,448	4,092,243	3,647,526	2,178,722	1,727,033
Commercial:	37,048,379	30,783,665	31,769,293	25,559,781	30,752,060
Industrial:	1,479,066	1,054,156	1,082,864	775,391	922,661
Multiresidential:	0	0	0	0	5,506,489
Reserved:	0	0	0	0	0
Railroads:	9,903,248	10,126,976	9,877,481	9,578,192	8,952,627
Utilities:	2,762,008	2,462,045	3,518,026	3,601,060	4,782,507
Other:	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Valuation:</b>	<b>407,248,659</b>	<b>381,394,596</b>	<b>380,121,873</b>	<b>347,364,802</b>	<b>348,433,877</b>
Less Military:	708,000	708,000	744,000		
Less Homestead:	3,666,000	3,603,182	1,774,500		
<b>Net Valuation:</b>	<b>402,874,659</b>	<b>377,083,414</b>	<b>377,603,373</b>	<b>347,364,802</b>	<b>348,433,877</b>
TIF Valuation:	42,505,938	51,596,987	37,509,081	36,114,338	29,341,380
Utility Replacement:	5,763,262	5,759,348	4,742,677	4,949,133	5,018,653
	Actual Valuation	% Change in Actual Valuation	Taxable Valuation w/ Utilities	% Change in Taxable Valuation	
Valuation Year	w/ Utilities				
2025	962,495,961	11.17%	451,143,859	3.84%	
2024	865,793,520	1.89%	434,439,749	3.47%	
2023	849,706,856	26.30%	419,855,131	8.09%	
2022	672,757,912	2.21%	388,428,273	1.47%	
2021	658,212,229	10.03%	382,793,910	6.76%	

(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:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Operating</u>	<u>Management</u>	<u>Board PPEL</u>	<u>V PPEL</u>	<u>Playground</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Schoolhouse</u>	<u>Total Levy</u>
2026	10.96837	1.63252	0.33000	1.34000	0.13500	2.82364	0.00000	17.22953
2025	11.20786	1.37310	0.33000	1.34000	0.13500	3.02950	0.00000	17.41546
2024	11.29813	1.13646	0.33000	1.34000	0.13500	3.30301	0.00000	17.54260
2023	11.24759	1.11136	0.33000	1.34000	0.13500	3.18821	0.00000	17.35216
2022	11.62311	1.21593	0.33000	1.34000	0.13500	3.24855	0.00000	17.89259

**Historic Tax Rates (1)**

Presented below are the tax rates by taxing entity for residents of the City of Mount Vernon:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Assessor</u>	<u>Ag Extens</u>	<u>Hospital</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Transit</u>	<u>Total Levy</u>
2026	13.50187	17.22953	1.43000	0.00000	0.25851	0.05065	0.00000	6.05586	0.00000	38.52642
2025	13.33601	17.41546	1.39550	0.00180	0.25971	0.05103	0.00000	6.07222	0.00000	38.53173
2024	13.15491	17.54260	1.39550	0.00180	0.27155	0.05142	0.00000	5.95691	0.00000	38.37469
2023	12.99906	17.35216	1.34462	0.00240	0.26834	0.05097	0.00000	5.84664	0.00000	37.86419
2022	12.99944	17.89259	1.31195	0.00260	0.26850	0.05058	0.00000	6.24304	0.00000	38.76870

**Tax Collection History (2)**

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

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount Levied</u>	<u>Amount Collected</u>	<u>Percentage Collected</u>
2026	\$6,842,148	In Collection	NA
2025	6,843,696	\$6,837,314	99.91%
2024	6,360,298	6,403,973	100.69%
2023	6,272,835	6,272,438	99.99%
2022	6,061,881	6,086,896	100.41%

(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>Taxpayer</u>	<u>2024 Taxable Valuation</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>
Union Pacific Railroad	\$10,126,976	2.33%
Pollard JD Midwest Real Estate LLC	3,272,808	0.75%
Interstate Power & Light Co.	2,955,331	0.68%
Stoner VG & Sons Corp	2,874,074	0.66%
Lynch MT Vernon Properties LLC	2,731,457	0.63%
Hoke Farms Inc.	2,558,048	0.59%
Buckeye Pipelines	2,208,325	0.51%
Ansh LLC	1,836,047	0.42%
Broulik Robert L & Anna M	1,697,173	0.39%
JC Brannaman LLC	1,645,006	0.38%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>7.34%</b>

(1) Source: Linn, Johnson and Jones County Auditors' offices

(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:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>8/7/18</u>	<u>5/1/19</u>	<u>Total Principal</u>	<u>Total Interest</u>	<u>Total P&amp;I</u>
2026		\$875,000	\$875,000	\$351,700	\$1,226,700
2027	\$680,000	230,000	910,000	332,013	1,242,013
2028	695,000	100,000	795,000	306,438	1,101,438
2029	715,000		715,000	283,338	998,338
2030	740,000		740,000	261,888	1,001,888
2031	755,000		755,000	239,688	994,688
2032	780,000		780,000	217,038	997,038
2033	805,000		805,000	193,638	998,638
2034	830,000		830,000	167,475	997,475
2035	860,000		860,000	140,500	1,000,500
2036	885,000		885,000	110,400	995,400
2037	920,000		920,000	75,000	995,000
2038	955,000		955,000	38,200	993,200
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$9,620,000</b>	<b>\$1,205,000</b>	<b>\$10,825,000</b>	<b>\$2,717,313</b>	<b>\$13,542,313</b>

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

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

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>11/15/22</u>	Total <u>Principal</u>	Total <u>Interest</u>	Total <u>P&amp;I</u>
2026	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$75,000	\$450,000
2027	375,000	375,000	60,000	435,000
2028	375,000	375,000	45,000	420,000
2029	375,000	375,000	30,000	405,000
2030	375,000	375,000	15,000	390,000
Totals:	\$1,875,000	\$1,875,000	\$225,000	\$2,100,000

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 outstanding School Infrastructure Sales, Services & Use Tax Revenue Bonds, including an estimate of this issue, presented by fiscal year and issue.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>11/7/17</u>	<u>6/24/26</u>	Total <u>Principal</u>	Total <u>Interest</u>	Total <u>P&amp;I</u>
2026	\$560,000		\$560,000	\$36,849	\$596,849
2027	577,000	\$100,000	677,000	185,927	862,927
2028	593,000	100,000	693,000	180,526	873,526
2029		430,000	430,000	163,795	593,795
2030		450,000	450,000	146,165	596,165
2031		470,000	470,000	127,715	597,715
2032		485,000	485,000	108,445	593,445
2033		505,000	505,000	88,560	593,560
2034		530,000	530,000	67,855	597,855
2035		550,000	550,000	46,125	596,125
2036		575,000	575,000	23,575	598,575
Totals:	\$1,730,000	\$4,195,000	\$5,925,000	\$1,175,537	\$7,100,537

(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:	\$865,793,520
X	0.05
Statutory Debt Limit:	43,289,676
Total General Obligation Debt:	10,825,000
Total Lease Purchases:	0
GO PPEL Debt:	1,875,000
Capital Leases:	617,728
Total Debt Subject to Limit:	13,317,428
Percentage of Debt Limit Obligated:	30.76%

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 \$5,925,000\* to be \$19,242,428\*, or 44.45% \* of the statutory debt limit.

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- (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 Mount Vernon	13,890,000	206,623,092	206,623,092	100.00%	\$13,890,000
City Of Bertram	0	21,271,050	7,310,982	34.37%	\$0
Linn County	53,740,000	14,879,782,736	423,703,320	2.85%	1,530,252
Jones County	0	1,363,024,566	10,262,883	0.75%	0
Johnson County	0	11,279,293,082	473,546	0.00%	0
Kirkwood Cc	136,150,279	33,569,299,504	434,439,749	1.29%	1,762,000
Grant Wood Aea	0	33,636,703,764	434,439,749	1.29%	0

Total Overlapping & Underlying Debt: \$17,182,252

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

Actual Value of Property, 2024:	\$865,793,520
Taxable Value of Property, 2024:	434,439,749
Direct General Obligation Debt:	\$13,317,428
Overlapping Debt:	17,182,252
Direct & Overlapping General Obligation Debt:	\$30,499,680
Population, 2020 US Census:	6,554
Direct Debt per Capita:	\$2,031.95
Total Debt per Capita:	\$4,653.60
Direct Debt to Taxable Valuation:	3.07%
Total Debt to Taxable Valuation:	7.02%
Direct Debt to Actual Valuation:	1.54%
Total Debt to Actual Valuation:	3.52%
Actual Valuation per Capita:	\$132,102
Taxable Valuation per Capita:	\$66,286

(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 Mount Vernon Community School District in the Counties of Johnson, Jones and Linn, State of Iowa, and acts of administrative officers of the School District (the "Issuer"), relating to the issuance of School Infrastructure Sales, Services And Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2026, by said Issuer, dated the date of delivery, in the denominations of \$5,000 or multiples thereof, in the aggregate amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (the "Bonds").

The Bonds are issued pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 423F and a Resolution Authorizing the Terms of Issuance and Providing for and Securing the Payment of School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds (the "Resolution") of the Issuer adopted June 8, 2026. Under the Resolution, the Issuer has pledged certain School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenues (the "School Infrastructure Tax Revenues") for the payment of principal of, premium (if any), and interest on the Bonds when due.

We have examined the law and such 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 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 the Resolution, perform the agreements on its part contained therein, and issue the Bonds.
2. The Resolution has been duly adopted by the Issuer and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the Issuer.
3. The Resolution creates a valid lien on the School Infrastructure Tax Revenues pledged by the Resolution (and defined therein) for the security of the Bonds and the Parity Bonds. The lien of the Bonds ranks on a parity as to the pledge of revenues with respect to other Outstanding Bonds and Additional Bonds (as defined in the Resolution). The right to issue Additional Bonds is reserved upon conditions set forth in the Resolution.
4. The Bonds have been duly authorized and executed by the Issuer and are valid and binding limited obligations of the Issuer, payable solely from the sources provided therefor in the Resolution.

THE BONDS ARE NOT GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE ISSUER AND THE GENERAL CREDIT AND TAXING POWERS OF THE ISSUER ARE NOT PLEDGED TO THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL THEREOF OR INTEREST THEREON. THE ISSUER IS NOT OBLIGATED TO LEVY ANY AD VALOREM TAXES NOR TO EXPEND ANY MONIES OF THE ISSUER TO PAY THE BONDS, EXCEPT THE SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE SALES, SERVICES AND USE TAX REVENUES SPECIFICALLY PLEDGED UNDER THE RESOLUTION.

5. 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 on the Bonds 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 under Section 103 of the Code. 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.

The Issuer has designated the Bonds "qualified tax exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

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 Mount Vernon Community School District, State of Iowa (the "Issuer"), in connection with the issuance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ School Infrastructure Sales, Services And Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 (the "Bonds") dated the date of delivery. The Bonds are being issued pursuant to a Resolution of the Issuer approved on June 8, 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 April 15 after the end of the Issuer's fiscal year, commencing with information for the 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 captions "Current Statewide Receipts of the Tax – Average Per Pupil Receipts," "Actual Historic Sales, Services & Use Tax Revenue Receipts," "Estimated Future Sales, Services & Use Tax Receipts," "Historical Resident Enrollment in the School District," "Estimated Debt Service and Coverage on the Bonds."

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. Additional Filing. The Issuer's audited financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, were not available for inclusion in the Final Official Statement. The Issuer agrees to file these audited financial statements in the same manner as the Annual Financial Information when they become available.

Section 7. 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 8. 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 9. 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 10. 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 11. 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 12. 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 13. 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 14. 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: Date of Delivery

MOUNT VERNON 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: Mount Vernon Community School District, Iowa.

Name of Bond Issue: \$\_\_\_\_\_ School Infrastructure Sales, Services And Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2026

Dated Date of Issue: the date of delivery

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\_\_.

MOUNT VERNON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT,  
STATE OF IOWA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPENDIX D – AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ISSUER**

This Appendix contains the entire 2024 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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**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Mount Vernon, Iowa**

**Basic Financial Statements**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2024**

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
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**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Board of Education and Administration  
June 30, 2024**

<u>Board of Education</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Rick Elliot	President	2025
Jeremy Kunz	Vice President	2027
Lance Schoff	Board Member	2025
Jason Clark	Board Member	2027
Kristi Meyer	Board Member	2027
Suzette Kragenbrink	Board Member	2027
Tim Keegan	Board Member	2025
 <u>School Officials</u>		
Matthew Leeman	Superintendent	2025
Michael Marshall	Board Secretary/Treasurer and School Business Official	2025
Brett Nitzschke	Attorney	Indefinite

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## Independent Auditor's Report

To the School Board  
Mount Vernon Community School District  
Mount Vernon, Iowa

### **Report on Audit of the Basic Financial Statements**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Mount Vernon Community School District, Mount Vernon, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the basic financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to in the first paragraph 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 Mount Vernon Community School District, Mount Vernon, Iowa, as of June 30, 2024, 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 (GAAS) 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 the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Mount Vernon Community School District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

The management of Mount Vernon Community School District is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS 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 the District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events considered in the aggregate, which raise substantial doubt about the 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 that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, which follows this report letter, and Required Supplementary Information as listed in the Table of Contents 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 (GASB), 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 the District's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information identified in the Table of Contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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 accompanying supplementary information and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

### **Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 18, 2025, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

BerganKDV, Ltd.

St. Cloud, Minnesota  
June 18, 2025

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## Mount Vernon Community School District Management's Discussion and Analysis

Mount Vernon Community School District provides this management's discussion and analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow this narrative overview and analysis.

### Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of Mount Vernon Community School District exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$21,026,643.
- General Fund revenues increased from \$16,904,058 in fiscal 2023 to \$17,562,618 in fiscal 2024, while General Fund expenditures increased from \$17,559,441 in fiscal 2023 to \$17,847,556 in fiscal 2024. The District's General Fund balance decreased from \$1,543,719 in fiscal 2023 to \$1,272,071 in fiscal 2024. General Fund revenues increased due to an increase in state funding related to the amount received per student. General Fund expenditures increased due to the increase in wages and salaries.

### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's discussion and analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the District's financial activities.

The government-wide financial statements consist of a statement of net position and a statement of activities. These provide information about the activities of Mount Vernon Community School District as a whole and present an overall view of the District's finances.

The fund financial statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report Mount Vernon Community School District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the most significant funds. The remaining financial statements provide information about activities for which Mount Vernon Community School District acts solely as a custodian for the benefit of those outside of the District.

Notes to the financial statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

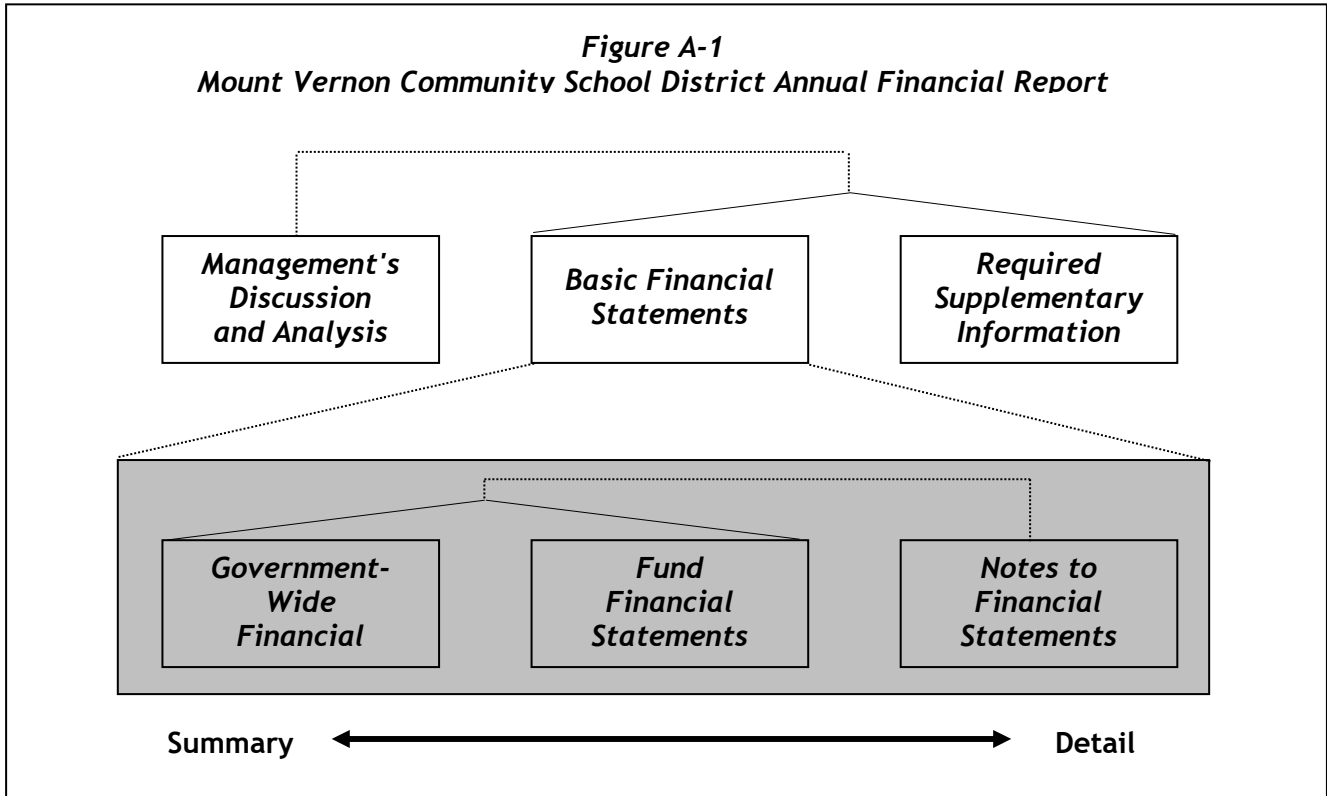
Required supplementary information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the District's budget for the year, the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability and related contributions, as well as presenting the schedule of changes in total OPEB liability for the retiree health plan.

Supplementary information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental funds.

Mount Vernon Community School District  
Management's Discussion and Analysis

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)

Figure A-1 shows how the various parts of this annual report are arranged and relate to one another.



**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Management's Discussion and Analysis**

**USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT (CONTINUED)**

Figure A-2 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.

<i>Figure A-2 Major Features of the Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements</i>			
	Government-Wide Statements	Fund Statements	
		Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds
Scope	Entire District (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the District that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as special education and building maintenance	Activities the District operates similar to private businesses: food services, day care and internal services
Required financial statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement of net position</li> <li>• Statement of activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balance sheet</li> <li>• Statement of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balances</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statement of net position</li> <li>• Statement of revenue, expenses, and changes in fund net position</li> <li>• Statement of cash flows</li> </ul>
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
Type of asset/liability information	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 financial and capital and short-term and long-term
Type of deferred outflow/inflow information	Consumption/acquisition of net assets that is applicable to a future reporting period	Consumption/acquisition of fund balance that is applicable to a future reporting period	Consumption/acquisition of net assets that is applicable to a future reporting period
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenue and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenue 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 during the year or soon thereafter	All revenue and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

## Mount Vernon Community School District Management's Discussion and Analysis

### REPORTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

#### 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 revenue 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 is an indicator of whether financial position is improving or deteriorating. To assess the District's overall health, additional nonfinancial factors, such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities, need to be considered.

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 tax 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 school nutrition 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 or to show it is properly using certain revenue such as federal grants.

The District has two kinds of funds:

1. *Governmental Funds:* Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (a) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (b) 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.

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 revenue, expenditures, and changes in fund balances.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Management's Discussion and Analysis**

**REPORTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)**

**Fund Financial Statements (Continued)**

2. *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, one type of proprietary fund, is the same as its business-type activities, but provides more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The District's enterprise funds are the School Nutrition Fund and Daycare Fund. Internal service funds, the other type of proprietary fund, are optional and available to report activities that provide supplies and services for other District programs and activities. The District's internal service fund is the Self Insurance Fund.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a statement of net position, a statement of revenue, expenses and changes in fund net position and a statement of cash flows.

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

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Management's Discussion and Analysis**

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

Figure A-3 below provides a summary of the District's net position as of June 30, 2024, compared to June 30, 2023.

**Figure A-3  
Condensed Statement of Net Position**

	Governmental Activities		Business- Type Activities		Total District		Percent Change
	June 30,		June 30,		June 30,		
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	
Current and other assets	\$ 12,659,708	\$ 14,167,256	\$ 634,843	\$ 620,969	\$ 13,294,551	\$ 14,788,225	-10.10%
Capital assets	37,952,890	34,814,137	30,707	36,691	37,983,597	34,850,828	8.99%
Total assets	<u>50,612,598</u>	<u>48,981,393</u>	<u>665,550</u>	<u>657,660</u>	<u>51,278,148</u>	<u>49,639,053</u>	3.30%
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>2,647,764</u>	<u>1,461,864</u>	<u>108,620</u>	<u>54,410</u>	<u>2,756,384</u>	<u>1,516,274</u>	81.79%
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 53,260,362</u>	<u>\$ 50,443,257</u>	<u>\$ 774,170</u>	<u>\$ 712,070</u>	<u>\$ 54,034,532</u>	<u>\$ 51,155,327</u>	5.63%
Current liabilities	\$ 3,862,599	\$ 4,122,027	\$ 56,997	\$ 81,434	\$ 3,919,596	\$ 4,203,461	-6.75%
Long-term liabilities	<u>21,429,754</u>	<u>22,422,232</u>	<u>252,038</u>	<u>198,967</u>	<u>21,681,792</u>	<u>22,621,199</u>	-4.15%
Total liabilities	<u>25,292,353</u>	<u>26,544,259</u>	<u>309,035</u>	<u>280,401</u>	<u>25,601,388</u>	<u>26,824,660</u>	-4.56%
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>7,383,284</u>	<u>7,134,264</u>	<u>23,217</u>	<u>29,039</u>	<u>7,406,501</u>	<u>7,163,303</u>	3.40%
Net position							
Net investment in capital assets	21,423,444	16,383,685	30,707	36,691	21,454,151	16,420,376	30.66%
Restricted	1,816,033	3,740,058	-	-	1,816,033	3,740,058	-51.44%
Unrestricted	<u>(2,654,752)</u>	<u>(3,359,009)</u>	<u>411,211</u>	<u>365,939</u>	<u>(2,243,541)</u>	<u>(2,993,070)</u>	-25.04%
Total net position	<u>20,584,725</u>	<u>16,764,734</u>	<u>441,918</u>	<u>402,630</u>	<u>21,026,643</u>	<u>17,167,364</u>	22.48%
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position	<u>\$ 53,260,362</u>	<u>\$ 50,443,257</u>	<u>\$ 774,170</u>	<u>\$ 712,070</u>	<u>\$ 54,034,532</u>	<u>\$ 51,155,327</u>	5.63%

The District's total net position increased 22.5%, or \$3,859,279, from the prior year. The primary reason for the increase was an increase in capital assets without increases in related liabilities.

The largest portion of the District's net position is invested in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings and equipment), less the related debt. The debt related to the investment in capital assets is liquidated with resources other than capital assets, this amount increased in 2024 with the construction of the athletic facility.

Restricted net position represents resources subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation on how they can be used. The District's restricted net position decreased \$1,924,025, or 51.4%, from the prior year due to increased spending on capital projects.

Unrestricted Net Position - the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements - increased \$749,529, or 25.0%. The increase in unrestricted net position was primarily a result of an increase in the deferred outflows of resources due to changes in actuarial assumptions.

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**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)**

Figure A-4 shows changes in net position for the year ended June 30, 2024, compared to year ended June 30, 2023.

**Figure A-4  
Changes in Net Position**

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total District		Percent Change
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	
<b>Revenues</b>							
Program revenues							
Charges for services	\$ 3,548,933	\$ 3,243,833	\$ 826,491	\$ 763,946	\$ 4,375,424	\$ 4,007,779	9.17%
Operating grants and contributions and restricted interest	4,181,285	4,223,012	371,344	365,399	4,552,629	4,588,411	-0.78%
Capital grants and contributions and restricted interest	2,055,576	-	2,817	6,283	2,058,393	6,283	32661.31%
General revenues							
Property tax	7,087,253	6,792,011	-	-	7,087,253	6,792,011	4.35%
Statewide sales, services and use tax	1,408,914	1,630,055	-	-	1,408,914	1,630,055	-13.57%
Unrestricted state and federal grants	5,938,703	5,725,633	-	-	5,938,703	5,725,633	3.72%
Unrestricted investment earnings	172,726	229,985	30,700	18,943	203,426	248,928	-18.28%
Other	132	35,117	-	-	132	35,117	-99.62%
Total revenues	<u>24,393,522</u>	<u>21,879,646</u>	<u>1,231,352</u>	<u>1,154,571</u>	<u>25,624,874</u>	<u>23,034,217</u>	<u>11.25%</u>
<b>Program Expenses</b>							
Instruction	12,449,892	12,282,365	-	-	12,449,892	12,282,365	1.36%
Support services	6,198,611	5,730,867	-	-	6,198,611	5,730,867	8.16%
Noninstructional programs	-	-	1,175,644	1,080,398	1,175,644	1,080,398	8.82%
Other	1,941,448	1,935,344	-	-	1,941,448	1,935,344	0.32%
Total expenses	<u>20,589,951</u>	<u>19,948,576</u>	<u>1,175,644</u>	<u>1,080,398</u>	<u>21,765,595</u>	<u>21,028,974</u>	<u>3.50%</u>
Change in net position before transfers	3,803,571	1,931,070	55,708	74,173	3,859,279	2,005,243	-92.46%
Transfers	16,420	-	(16,420)	-	-	-	N/A
Change in net position	<u>3,819,991</u>	<u>1,931,070</u>	<u>39,288</u>	<u>74,173</u>	<u>3,859,279</u>	<u>2,005,243</u>	<u>-92.46%</u>
Beginning of year net position	<u>16,764,734</u>	<u>14,833,664</u>	<u>402,630</u>	<u>328,457</u>	<u>17,167,364</u>	<u>15,162,121</u>	<u>13.23%</u>
End of year net position	<u>\$ 20,584,725</u>	<u>\$ 16,764,734</u>	<u>\$ 441,918</u>	<u>\$ 402,630</u>	<u>\$ 21,026,643</u>	<u>\$ 17,167,364</u>	<u>22.48%</u>

In fiscal year 2024, property tax and unrestricted state and federal grants accounted for 53.4% of governmental activities revenue while charges for service and operating grants, contributions and unrestricted interest accounted for 100% of business-type activities revenue. The District's total revenue was approximately \$25.6 million, of which approximately \$24.4 million was for governmental activities and \$1.2 million was for business-type activities.

As shown in Figure A-4, the District as a whole experienced a 11.3% increase in revenue and a 3.5% increase in expenses. The overall change in revenue was due to large capital contributions for the construction of the athletic facility. The increase in expenses is primarily due to increased salary and benefit costs.

**Governmental Activities**

Revenue for governmental activities was \$24,393,522 and expenses were \$20,589,951, which amounted to an increase in net position of \$3,819,991 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

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**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)**

**Governmental Activities (Continued)**

The following table presents the total and net cost of the District's major governmental activities: instruction, support services, non-instructional programs and other expenses for the year ended June 30, 2024, compared to the year ended June 30, 2023.

**Figure A-5  
Total and Net Cost of Governmental Activities**

	Total Cost of Service			Net Cost of Service		
	2024	2023	Percentage Change	2024	2023	Percentage Change
Instruction	\$ 12,449,892	\$ 12,282,365	1.36%	\$ 5,980,945	\$ 6,256,557	-4.41%
Support Services	6,198,611	5,730,867	8.16%	3,414,099	4,818,441	-29.15%
Other	1,941,448	1,935,344	0.32%	1,409,113	1,406,733	0.17%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 20,589,951</b>	<b>\$ 19,948,576</b>	<b>3.22%</b>	<b>\$ 10,804,157</b>	<b>\$ 12,481,731</b>	<b>-13.44%</b>

For the year ended June 30, 2024:

- The cost financed by users of the District's programs was \$3,548,933.
- Federal and state governments and private entities subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions totaling \$6,236,861.
- The net cost of governmental activities was financed with \$8,496,167 in property and other taxes, \$5,938,703 in unrestricted state and federal grants, \$172,726 in unrestricted investment earnings and \$132 in other revenues.

**Business-Type Activities**

Revenue for business-type activities during the year ended June 30, 2024, was \$1,231,352, representing a 6.7% decrease over the prior year due a decreased number of reimbursable meals served, while expenses totaled \$1,175,644, an 8.8% increase over the prior year due to increased salaries and benefits. The District's business-type activities include the School Nutrition Fund and Daycare Fund. Revenue of these activities was comprised of charges for service, federal and state reimbursements and grants and investment earnings.

- Charges for service represent 67.1% of total revenue for fiscal years 2024. This represents the amount paid by students/staff for daily food service and day care.
- Federal and state operating grants, included reimbursement for meals, payments for free and reduced lunches, commodities provided to the District and other miscellaneous grants, totaled \$371,344, or 30.2%, of total revenue.

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### **INDIVIDUAL FUND ANALYSIS**

As previously noted, Mount Vernon Community School District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds, as well. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$2,782,994, a decrease of \$1,701,467 from last year's ending fund balances of \$4,484,461. The primary reason for the decrease in combined fund balances at the end of fiscal year 2024 was capital project fund operations. Revenue increased from the prior year; \$2,700,742, or 12.4% due to increased donations received for the athletic complex. Expenditures increased 3.5% due to more capital projects in 2024.

#### **Governmental Fund Highlights**

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the District. At the end of fiscal year 2024, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$917,010 while total fund balance decreased from \$1,543,719 at the end of fiscal year 2023 to \$1,272,071 the end of fiscal year 2024.

The General Fund balance decreased by \$271,648, or 17.6%, during the current fiscal year. The primary reasons for this decrease were an increase salaries in 2024.

The Debt Service Fund balance increased from \$175,787 at the end of fiscal year 2023 to \$245,483 at the end of fiscal year 2024. Current year expenditures included bond interest and fiscal charges and principal payments.

The Capital Projects Fund balance decreased from \$2,394,044 as of June 30, 2023, to \$812,055 as of June 30, 2024. Revenues increased due to increased Statewide sales, service and use tax. Expenditures increased due to increased capital project expenditures.

#### **Proprietary Fund Highlights**

School Nutrition Fund net position was \$367,735 as of June 30, 2024. Revenue decreased primarily due to decreased meals served. Expenses increased also due to increased salary and benefit costs.

### **BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

In accordance with state law, the school board annually adopts a budget following the public notice and hearing requirements. Although the budget document presents functional area expenditures or expenses by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated functional level, not at the fund or fund type level. The District adopts a budget in April for the following year and at the same time considers a budget amendment for expenditures for the current year. The District did amend its original budget for fiscal year 2024.

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**BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)**

A schedule showing the original and final budget amounts compared to the District's actual financial activity is provided in this report as required supplementary information.

The District's total revenue was \$2,101,747 more than total budgeted revenue, a variance of 8.9%, primarily due receiving large amounts of contributions for the athletic complex.

Total expenditures were \$910,098 less than total budgeted expenditures, a variance of 3.2%, primarily due to the staffing costs being lower than anticipated.

The certified budget was exceeded in noninstructional programs function during the year and the District's total spending authority was not exceeded.

**CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

**Capital Assets**

As of June 30, 2024, the District had invested \$37,983,597 net of accumulated depreciation, in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings and improvements, land improvements, equipment, furniture and construction in progress (See Figure A-6). This represents a net increase of 9.0% from last year. More detailed information about the District's capital assets is presented in Note 4 to the financial statements. Depreciation expense was \$1,221,492 for Governmental Activities and \$8,801 for Business-Type Activities.

The original cost of the District's capital assets was approximately \$54.6 million. Governmental funds account for approximately \$54.3 million with the remainder of approximately \$0.3 million accounted for in the Proprietary Funds.

**Figure A-6  
Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation**

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total District		Percentage Change
	June 30,		June 30,		June 30,		
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	
Land	\$ 383,154	\$ 383,154	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 383,154	\$ 383,154	0.00%
Construction in progress	6,910,771	2,885,502	-	-	6,910,771	2,885,502	N/A
Buildings and Improvements	28,450,795	29,218,321	-	-	28,450,795	29,218,321	-2.63%
Improvements other than buildings	1,275,200	1,356,142	-	-	1,275,200	1,356,142	-5.97%
Furniture and equipment	932,970	971,018	30,707	36,691	963,677	1,007,709	-4.37%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 37,952,890</b>	<b>\$ 34,814,137</b>	<b>\$ 30,707</b>	<b>\$ 36,691</b>	<b>\$ 37,983,597</b>	<b>\$ 34,850,828</b>	<b>8.99%</b>

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**CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION (CONTINUED)**

**Long-Term Debt**

As of June 30, 2024, the District had \$16,529,446 of total long-term debt outstanding. This represents a decrease of 10.3% from last year (See Figure A-7). Additional information about the District's long-term debt is presented in Note 5 to the financial statements.

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of debt districts can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the District. The District's outstanding debt is significantly below its constitutional debt limit of approximately \$33.6 million.

**Figure A-7  
Outstanding Long-Term Debt**

	Total District		Percent Change
	June 30,		
	2024	2023	
Revenue Bonds	\$ 2,277,000	\$ 2,809,000	-18.9%
General obligation bonds	13,975,000	15,240,000	-8.3%
Finance purchase agreements	76,757	164,534	-53.3%
Unamortized bond premium	200,689	216,918	-7.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,529,446</b>	<b>\$ 18,430,452</b>	<b>-10.3%</b>

**ECONOMIC FACTORS BEARING ON THE DISTRICT'S FUTURE**

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

- The Iowa State Legislature has not set the supplemental state aid percentage for fiscal year 2026 as well as for future years.
- The District has been monitoring the factors leading to the declining unspent fund balance and has plans to take corrective steps in future fiscal years.

**CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

This financial report is designed to provide the District's 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 or need additional financial information, contact Michael Marshall, Board Secretary/Treasurer, Mount Vernon Community School District, 525 Palisades Road SW, Mount Vernon, Iowa, 52314.

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## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**June 30, 2024**

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and investments	\$ 3,261,074	\$ 634,446	\$ 3,895,520
Receivables			
Property tax - delinquent	47,941	-	47,941
Property tax - succeeding year	6,843,696	-	6,843,696
Accounts receivable	17,973	13,775	31,748
Internal balances	16,420	(16,420)	-
Due from other governmental units	2,472,604	-	2,472,604
Inventory	-	3,042	3,042
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	30,658,965	30,707	30,689,672
Capital assets not being depreciated	7,293,925	-	7,293,925
Total assets	<u>50,612,598</u>	<u>665,550</u>	<u>51,278,148</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>			
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	427,967	19,793	447,760
Deferred outflows related to pensions	2,219,797	88,827	2,308,624
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>2,647,764</u>	<u>108,620</u>	<u>2,756,384</u>
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 53,260,362</u>	<u>\$ 774,170</u>	<u>\$ 54,034,532</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accounts and contracts payable	\$ 722,540	\$ 11,135	\$ 733,675
Salaries and benefits payable	1,746,459	32,287	1,778,746
Interest payable	41,843	-	41,843
Unearned revenue	-	13,575	13,575
Net bond principal payable			
Due within one year	1,275,000	-	1,275,000
Due in more than one year	12,900,689	-	12,900,689
Revenue bonds			
Due in more than one year	2,277,000	-	2,277,000
Financed purchase payable			
Payable within one year	76,757	-	76,757
Noncurrent liabilities due in more than one year			
Total OPEB liability	298,169	13,790	311,959
Net pension liability	5,953,896	238,248	6,192,144
Total liabilities	<u>25,292,353</u>	<u>309,035</u>	<u>25,601,388</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Property tax levied for succeeding year	6,843,696	-	6,843,696
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	260,770	12,060	272,830
Deferred inflows related to pensions	278,818	11,157	289,975
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>7,383,284</u>	<u>23,217</u>	<u>7,406,501</u>
<b>Net Position</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	21,423,444	30,707	21,454,151
Restricted for			
Categorical funding	346,953	-	346,953
Debt service	203,640	-	203,640
School infrastructure	524,910	-	524,910
Physical plant and equipment	287,145	-	287,145
Student activities	232,425	-	232,425
Management levy purposes	189,849	-	189,849
Public education and recreation	31,111	-	31,111
Unrestricted	(2,654,752)	411,211	(2,243,541)
Total net position	<u>20,584,725</u>	<u>441,918</u>	<u>21,026,643</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position	<u>\$ 53,260,362</u>	<u>\$ 774,170</u>	<u>\$ 54,034,532</u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Functions/Programs	Program Revenues				Net (Expenses) Revenues, and Changes in Net Position		
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
<b>Governmental activities</b>							
Instruction	\$ 12,449,892	\$ 3,548,933	\$ 2,919,862	\$ 152	\$ (5,980,945)	\$ -	\$ (5,980,945)
Support Services							
Student	858,534	-	284,418	-	(574,116)	-	(574,116)
Instructional staff	1,239,306	-	437,692	137,153	(664,461)	-	(664,461)
Administration	1,829,240	-	-	-	(1,829,240)	-	(1,829,240)
Operation and maintenance of plant	1,525,894	-	-	-	(1,525,894)	-	(1,525,894)
Transportation	603,049	-	6,978	-	(596,071)	-	(596,071)
Facilities acquisition	142,588	-	-	1,918,271	1,775,683	-	1,775,683
AEA Flow through	532,335	-	532,335	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	544,245	-	-	-	(544,245)	-	(544,245)
Unallocated depreciation	864,868	-	-	-	(864,868)	-	(864,868)
Total governmental activities	<u>20,589,951</u>	<u>3,548,933</u>	<u>4,181,285</u>	<u>2,055,576</u>	<u>(10,804,157)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(10,804,157)</u>
<b>Business-type activities</b>							
Noninstructional programs							
Food service operations	929,274	581,198	340,440	2,817	-	(4,819)	(4,819)
Day care operations	246,370	245,293	30,904	-	-	29,827	29,827
Total business-type activities activities	<u>1,175,644</u>	<u>826,491</u>	<u>371,344</u>	<u>2,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,008</u>	<u>25,008</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 21,765,595</u>	<u>\$ 4,375,424</u>	<u>\$ 4,552,629</u>	<u>\$ 2,058,393</u>	<u>(10,804,157)</u>	<u>25,008</u>	<u>(10,779,149)</u>
<b>General revenues</b>							
Taxes							
Property taxes, levied for general purposes					4,675,379	-	4,675,379
Property taxes, levied for debt service					1,300,043	-	1,300,043
Property taxes, levied for management levy purposes					406,260	-	406,260
Property taxes, levied for capital outlay					705,571	-	705,571
Unrestricted statewide sales, services, and use tax					1,408,914	-	1,408,914
Unrestricted state and federal grants					5,938,703	-	5,938,703
Unrestricted investment earnings					172,726	30,700	203,426
Gain on disposal of capital assets					132	-	132
Transfers					16,420	(16,420)	-
Total general revenues and transfers					<u>14,624,148</u>	<u>14,280</u>	<u>14,638,428</u>
Change in net position					<u>3,819,991</u>	<u>39,288</u>	<u>3,859,279</u>
Net position - beginning					<u>16,764,734</u>	<u>402,630</u>	<u>17,167,364</u>
Net position - ending					<u>\$ 20,584,725</u>	<u>\$ 441,918</u>	<u>\$ 21,026,643</u>

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds**  
**June 30, 2024**

	General (10)	Debt Service (40)	Capital Projects	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and investments					
Cash and investments	\$ 1,455,376	\$ 236,166	\$ 976,347	\$ 476,574	\$ 3,144,463
Receivables					
Property tax - delinquent	30,485	9,317	4,711	3,428	47,941
Property tax - succeeding year	4,293,971	1,271,951	701,158	576,616	6,843,696
Accounts receivable	6,905	-	152	10,916	17,973
Due from other governmental units	2,337,908	-	134,696	-	2,472,604
Due from other funds	16,420	-	-	-	16,420
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 8,141,065</b>	<b>\$ 1,517,434</b>	<b>\$ 1,817,064</b>	<b>\$ 1,067,534</b>	<b>\$ 12,543,097</b>
<b>Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances</b>					
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Accounts and contracts payable	\$ 326,137	\$ -	\$ 303,851	\$ 37,240	\$ 667,228
Salaries and benefits payable	1,746,166	-	-	293	1,746,459
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>2,072,303</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>303,851</b>	<b>37,533</b>	<b>2,413,687</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>					
Unavailable revenue - succeeding year property tax					
	4,293,971	1,271,951	701,158	576,616	6,843,696
Unavailable revenue - other					
	502,720	-	-	-	502,720
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>4,796,691</b>	<b>1,271,951</b>	<b>701,158</b>	<b>576,616</b>	<b>7,346,416</b>
<b>Fund Balances</b>					
Restricted for					
Categorical funding	346,953	-	-	-	346,953
Debt service	-	245,483	-	-	245,483
School infrastructure	-	-	524,910	-	524,910
Physical plant and equipment	-	-	287,145	-	287,145
Management levy purposes	-	-	-	189,849	189,849
Public education and recreation	-	-	-	31,111	31,111
Student activities	-	-	-	232,425	232,425
Assigned for					
Building	8,108	-	-	-	8,108
Unassigned	917,010	-	-	-	917,010
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<b>1,272,071</b>	<b>245,483</b>	<b>812,055</b>	<b>453,385</b>	<b>2,782,994</b>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 8,141,065</b>	<b>\$ 1,517,434</b>	<b>\$ 1,817,064</b>	<b>\$ 1,067,534</b>	<b>\$ 12,543,097</b>

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet to  
the Statement of Net Position - Governmental Funds  
June 30, 2024**

Total fund balances - governmental funds	\$ 2,782,994
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in governmental funds.	
Cost of capital assets	54,257,565
Less accumulated depreciation	(16,304,675)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the funds.	
Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:	
Bond principal payable	(13,975,000)
Loan payable	(2,277,000)
Bond premiums	(200,689)
Financed purchases payable	(76,757)
Total OPEB liability	(298,169)
Net pension liability	(5,953,896)
Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are created as a result of various differences related to pensions, OPEB and long-term liabilities that are not recognized in the governmental funds.	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	2,219,797
Deferred inflows related to pensions	(278,818)
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	(260,770)
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	427,967
Other long-term assets will be collected in subsequent years, and do not meet the revenue recognition requirements in the governmental funds.	502,720
An internal service fund is used by management to charge the costs of the District's cafeteria health benefits program services to various funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service funds are included in governmental activities in the statement of net position and interfund activity is removed.	61,299
Governmental funds do not report a liability for accrued interest on long-term debt until due and payable.	(41,843)
Total net position - governmental activities	<u>\$ 20,584,725</u>

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and**  
**Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Fund**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	General (10)	Debt Service (40)	Capital Projects	Nonmajor Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues</b>					
Revenue from local sources					
Local property taxes	\$ 4,645,260	\$ 1,291,234	\$ 652,999	\$ 451,140	\$ 7,040,633
Tuition	3,297,342	-	-	-	3,297,342
Other local and county revenues	235,162	49,699	1,974,833	846,219	3,105,913
Revenue from state sources	8,520,592	8,809	1,468,306	3,390	10,001,097
Revenue from federal sources	864,262	-	137,153	-	1,001,415
Total revenues	<u>17,562,618</u>	<u>1,349,742</u>	<u>4,233,291</u>	<u>1,300,749</u>	<u>24,446,400</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>					
<b>Current</b>					
Instruction	11,819,789	-	-	752,280	12,572,069
Support services					
Student	883,140	-	-	-	883,140
Instructional staff	1,123,239	-	-	-	1,123,239
Administration	488,237	-	-	83,639	571,876
School administration	954,198	-	-	-	954,198
Business and central administration	319,566	-	-	-	319,566
Operation and maintenance of plant	1,232,034	-	-	220,883	1,452,917
Transportation	392,529	-	-	52,602	445,131
Other expenditures					
AEA flowthrough	532,335	-	-	-	532,335
Facilities acquisition	-	-	4,262,518	43,419	4,305,937
Capital outlay	102,489	-	384,679	68,714	555,882
Debt service					
Principal	-	1,885,549	-	-	1,885,549
Interest and fiscal charges	-	558,780	3,800	-	562,580
Total expenditures	<u>17,847,556</u>	<u>2,444,329</u>	<u>4,650,997</u>	<u>1,221,537</u>	<u>26,164,419</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(284,938)	(1,094,587)	(417,706)	79,212	(1,718,019)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>					
Proceeds from the sale of capital assets	132	-	-	-	132
Transfers in	16,420	1,164,283	-	3,262	1,183,965
Transfers out	(3,262)	-	(1,164,283)	-	(1,167,545)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>13,290</u>	<u>1,164,283</u>	<u>(1,164,283)</u>	<u>3,262</u>	<u>16,552</u>
Net change in fund balances	(271,648)	69,696	(1,581,989)	82,474	(1,701,467)
<b>Fund Balances</b>					
Beginning of year	1,543,719	175,787	2,394,044	370,911	4,484,461
End of year	<u>\$ 1,272,071</u>	<u>\$ 245,483</u>	<u>\$ 812,055</u>	<u>\$ 453,385</u>	<u>\$ 2,782,994</u>

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,  
and Changes in Fund Balances to the  
Statement of Activities - Governmental Funds  
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (1,701,467)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over the useful lives as depreciation expense.	
Capital outlays	4,360,245
Depreciation expense	(1,221,492)
OPEB are recognized as paid in the governmental funds but recognized as the expense is incurred in the Statement of Activities.	
	(11,044)
Principal payments on long-term debt are recognized as expenditures in the governmental funds but have no effect on net position in the Statement of Activities.	
	1,884,777
Pension 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.	
	523,809
Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recognized as an expenditure in the funds when it is due and thus requires use of current financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.	
	2,878
Governmental funds report the effect of bond premiums and deferred amounts when the debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement of Activities.	
	16,229
An internal service fund is used by management to charge the costs of the District's print shop services to various entities and individuals. The change in net position is reported within the governmental activities in the Statement of Activities.	
	20,994
Long-term assets will be collected in subsequent years, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and, therefore, are not recognized as revenues in the funds.	
	<u>(54,938)</u>
Change in net position - governmental activities	<u><u>\$ 3,819,991</u></u>

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Statement of Net Position - Proprietary Funds**  
**June 30, 2024**

	Business Type Activities			Self Insurance fund (71)
	School Nutrition (61)	Nonmajor- Daycare (62)	Total	
<b>Assets</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 506,805	\$ 127,641	\$ 634,446	\$ 116,611
Accounts receivable	-	13,775	13,775	-
Inventory	3,042	-	3,042	-
Total current assets	509,847	141,416	651,263	116,611
<b>Noncurrent</b>				
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	30,707	-	30,707	-
Total assets	540,554	141,416	681,970	116,611
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>				
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	19,793	-	19,793	-
Deferred outflows related to pensions	62,877	25,950	88,827	-
Total deferred outflows of resources	82,670	25,950	108,620	-
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 623,224	\$ 167,366	\$ 790,590	\$ 116,611
<b>Liabilities</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
Accounts payable	\$ 1,391	\$ 9,744	\$ 11,135	\$ 55,312
Due to other funds	16,420	-	16,420	-
Salaries and benefits payable	21,708	10,579	32,287	-
Unearned revenue	13,575	-	13,575	-
Total current liabilities	53,094	20,323	73,417	55,312
<b>Noncurrent</b>				
Net pension liability	168,647	69,601	238,248	-
Total OPEB liability	13,790	-	13,790	-
Total liabilities	235,531	89,924	325,455	55,312
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>				
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	12,060	-	12,060	-
Deferred inflows related to pensions	7,898	3,259	11,157	-
Total deferred inflows of resources	19,958	3,259	23,217	-
<b>Net Position</b>				
Investment in Capital Assets	30,707	-	30,707	-
Unrestricted	337,028	74,183	411,211	61,299
Total net position	367,735	74,183	441,918	61,299
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position	\$ 623,224	\$ 167,366	\$ 790,590	\$ 116,611

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes**  
**in Fund Net Position - Proprietary Funds**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	Business-Type Activities		Total	Governmental Activities
	School Nutrition (61)	Nonmajor- Daycare (62)		Internal Service Self Insurance fund (71)
<b>Operating Revenues</b>				
Local sources				
Charges for services	\$ 581,198	\$ 245,293	\$ 826,491	\$ -
Contributions	-	-	-	418,868
Other receipts	-	2,904	2,904	-
Total revenues	<u>581,198</u>	<u>248,197</u>	<u>829,395</u>	<u>418,868</u>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Insurance	-	-	-	399,802
Noninstructional programs				
Food service and daycare operations				
Salaries and benefits	313,109	175,581	488,690	-
Employee benefits	95,407	38,775	134,182	-
Purchased services	285	-	285	-
Supplies	511,672	32,014	543,686	-
Depreciation	8,801	-	8,801	-
Total operating expenses	<u>929,274</u>	<u>246,370</u>	<u>1,175,644</u>	<u>399,802</u>
Operating income loss	(348,076)	1,827	(346,249)	19,066
<b>Nonoperating Revenues</b>				
Federal sources	336,963	28,000	364,963	-
State sources	3,477	-	3,477	-
Investment income	26,199	4,501	30,700	1,928
Total nonoperating revenues	<u>366,639</u>	<u>32,501</u>	<u>399,140</u>	<u>1,928</u>
Loss before transfers and capital contributions	18,563	34,328	52,891	20,994
Capital contributions	2,817	-	2,817	-
Transfers out	(16,420)	-	(16,420)	-
Total transfers and capital contributions	<u>(13,603)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,603)</u>	<u>-</u>
Change in net position	4,960	34,328	39,288	20,994
<b>Net Position</b>				
Beginning of year	<u>362,775</u>	<u>39,855</u>	<u>402,630</u>	<u>40,305</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 367,735</u>	<u>\$ 74,183</u>	<u>\$ 441,918</u>	<u>\$ 61,299</u>

See notes to basic financial statements.

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Statement of Cash Flows -**  
**Proprietary Funds**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	Business Type Activities			Governmental Activities
	School Nutrition (61)	Nonmajor- Daycare (62)	Total	Internal Service Self Insurance fund (71)
<b>Cash Flows - Operating Activities</b>				
Cash received from miscellaneous operating activities	\$ -	\$ 253,113	\$ 253,113	\$ 418,868
Cash received from sale of lunches and breakfast	570,051	-	570,051	-
Cash paid to other	(16,420)	-	(16,420)	-
Payments to employees	(414,016)	(220,171)	(634,187)	-
Payments to suppliers	(447,394)	(22,921)	(470,315)	(344,490)
Net cash flows - operating activities	<u>(307,779)</u>	<u>10,021</u>	<u>(297,758)</u>	<u>74,378</u>
<b>Cash Flows - Noncapital Financing Activities</b>				
State grants received	3,477	-	3,477	-
Federal grants received	277,085	28,000	305,085	-
Net cash flows - noncapital financing activities	<u>280,562</u>	<u>28,000</u>	<u>308,562</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Cash Flows - Investment Activities</b>				
Interest received	26,199	4,501	30,700	1,928
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(1,018)	42,522	41,504	76,306
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>				
Beginning of year	507,823	85,119	592,942	40,305
End of year	<u>\$ 506,805</u>	<u>\$ 127,641</u>	<u>\$ 634,446</u>	<u>\$ 116,611</u>
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Flows - Operating Activities</b>				
Operating income (loss)	\$ (348,076)	\$ 1,827	\$ (346,249)	\$ 19,066
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash flows - operating activities				
Commodities used	59,878	-	59,878	-
Depreciation	8,801	-	8,801	-
Accounts receivable	-	4,916	4,916	-
Inventory	6,294	-	6,294	-
Pension expense	(7,741)	(144)	(7,885)	-
OPEB expense	924	-	924	-
Accounts payable	(1,609)	9,093	7,484	-
Salaries and benefits payable	1,317	(5,671)	(4,354)	55,312
Unearned revenue	(27,567)	-	(27,567)	-
Net adjustments	<u>40,297</u>	<u>8,194</u>	<u>48,491</u>	<u>55,312</u>
Net cash flows - operating activities	<u>\$ (307,779)</u>	<u>\$ 10,021</u>	<u>\$ (297,758)</u>	<u>\$ 74,378</u>
<b>Non-Cash Investing, Capital and Related Financing Activities</b>				
During the year ended June 30, 2024 the District received federal commodities.	\$ 59,878	\$ -	\$ 59,878	\$ -

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

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

Mount Vernon Community School District is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates public schools for children in grades kindergarten through twelve. The geographic area served includes the City of Mount Vernon, Iowa, and agricultural territory in Johnson, Jones, and Linn Counties. The District is governed by a Board of Education whose members are elected on a non-partisan basis.

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

**A. Reporting Entity**

For financial reporting purposes, Mount Vernon 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 basic 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.

**B. Basic Financial Statement Information**

Government-Wide Financial Statements - The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. 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 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 three categories:

Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation 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 imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation did not result in any restricted net position.

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.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**B. Basic Financial Statement Information (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, contributions, and interest 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 and proprietary 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.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund - This is the main 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 Debt Service Fund - This is used 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 Capital Projects Fund - This is used to account for all resources used in the acquisition and construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

The District reports the following major proprietary fund:

The Enterprise, School Nutrition Fund - This is used to account for the food service operations of the District.

The Internal Service Fund - This is used to account for the District's cafeteria health benefits program.

**C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The government-wide financial statements and the proprietary 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 for 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.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
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 District 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 financed purchases 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, in that order.

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 funds 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. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments**

The cash balances of most District funds are pooled and invested. Investments are stated at fair value except for the investment in the Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust, which is valued at amortized cost.

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, all short-term 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.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**E. Property Tax Receivable**

Property tax in the 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. Current year property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes from the current year. 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 deferred 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 becomes due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1-1/2% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2022, assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024; and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified to the County Board of Supervisors in April 2023.

**F. Income Surtax Receivable**

Income surtax budgeted for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, will not be received by the District until several months after the fiscal year end. Accordingly, income surtax is recorded as a receivable and included in deferred inflows of resources on the modified accrual basis for the governmental funds. For the government-wide statements, on the Statement of Activities the income surtax revenue is recognized.

**G. Due from Other Governments**

Due from other governments represents primarily amounts due from the State of Iowa, also included are amounts due for various shared revenue, grants, and reimbursements from other governments.

**H. 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.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**I. Capital Assets**

Capital assets, which include property, furniture and equipment 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. 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 cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset useful lives are not capitalized. 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.

Land	\$	2,500
Buildings and improvements		2,500
Improvements other than buildings		2,500
Intangibles		100,000
Furniture and equipment		
School Nutrition Fund equipment		500
Other furniture and equipment		2,500

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	50 Years
Improvements other than buildings	20 Years
Furniture and equipment	5-12 Years

**J. Deferred Outflows of Resources**

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net assets applicable to a future period(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 project and actual earnings on pension plan investments, and contributions from the District after the measurement date by before the end of the District's reporting period.

**K. Salaries and Benefits Payable**

Payroll and related expenditures for employees with annual contracts corresponding to a current school year, which are payable in July and August have been accrued as liabilities.

**L. Compensated Absences**

District employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation and sick leave. The District's policy is not to reimburse for sick leave or vacation. Vacation can only be used by the employees in the year it is earned. The District has no compensated absences liability at June 30, 2024.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**M. Long-Term Obligations**

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. Bond premiums are amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method. Refunding of debt may result in deferred gains or losses and are reported as deferred inflows and outflows of resources. The difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt is deferred and amortized as a component of long-term debt interest and fiscal charges using the straight-line method.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums, and bond issuance costs during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as another financing source. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

**N. 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.

**O. Total OPEB Liability**

For purposes of measuring the total OPEB liability, deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB and OPEB expense, information has been determined based on the 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.

**P. Deferred Inflows of Resources**

Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net assets that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Although certain revenue is measurable, it is 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 consist of property tax receivable and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end and succeeding year property tax receivables that will not be recognized until the year for which it is levied.

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**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**P. Deferred Inflows of Resources (Continued)**

Deferred inflows of resources in the statement of net positions consist of succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied, and unrecognized items not yet charged to pension and OPEB expense.

**Q. Fund Balances**

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, granters, or state or federal laws or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Assigned - These funds consists of internally imposed constraints. These constraints are established by management. The Board also delegates the authority to assign fund balance to the Business Manager or his/her designee.
- Unassigned - All amounts not included in the preceding classifications.

**R. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as required supplementary information. During the year ended June 30, 2024, expenditures/expenses did not exceed the amounts budgeted except for the noninstructional programs function and the District did not exceed its General Fund unspent authorized budget.

**S. Estimates and Assumptions**

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the basic financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**NOTE 2 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND INVESTMENTS**

**A. Deposits**

The District's deposits in banks at June 30, 2024, 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 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. At June 30, 2024, the District had deposits of \$1,406,267.

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**NOTE 2 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

**B. Investments**

At June 30, 2024, the District had investments in the Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust (ISJIT) as follows:

	Amortized Cost
Diversified Portfolio	\$ 2,489,253

The investments are valued at an amortized cost pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940. There were no limitations or restrictions on withdrawals of the ISJIT investments. The investments in ISJIT were rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's Financial Services.

**Credit Risk:** The Board authorizes the District to invest funds in excess of current needs in interest-bearing savings, money market, and checking accounts in the District's authorized depositories; the Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust; obligations of the United States governments, its agencies, and instrumentalities; and certificates of deposit and other evidence of deposit at federally insured Iowa depository institutions. The Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust was rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's Financial Services. The District's policy does not further limit the District's investments in relation to credit risk.

**Concentration of Credit Risk:** The District's general investment policy is to apply the prudent-person rule: in making investments, the District shall exercise the care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use to meet the goals of the investment program. The investments in the Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust are not subject to concentration of credit risk.

**Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits:** This is the risk that in an event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District does not have a formal policy for custodial credit risk.

**C. Deposits and Investments**

The following is a summary of total deposits and investments:

District Funds	
Deposits (Note 2.A.)	\$ 1,406,267
Investments (Note 2.B.)	2,489,253
Total deposits and investments	\$ 3,895,520

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**NOTE 2 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

**C. Deposits and Investments (Continued)**

Deposits and investment at June 30 2024, are presented as follows:

Statement of Net Position	
Cash and Investments	<u><u>\$ 3,895,520</u></u>

**NOTE 3 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS AND LOANS**

**A. Interfund Transfers**

Transfer In	Transfer Out	Amount
General	School Nutrition	\$ 16,420
Debt service	Capital projects	1,164,283
Nonmajor governmental	General	<u>3,262</u>
Total transfers in		<u><u>\$ 1,183,965</u></u>

Transfer from the Capital projects fund to the debt service fund was to move sales tax for payment of bonds. Transfer from the School Nutrition fund to General Fund was for indirect cost allocation. Transfer from General Fund to nonmajor governmental fund was for protective and safety gear.

**B. Due To/From Other Funds**

There was a interfund balance from the General Fund to the School Nutrition for \$16,420 for indirect costs incurred but not paid during the fiscal year.

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**NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2024, was as follows:

	Balance - Beginning of Year	Increases	Decreases	Balance - End of Year
Governmental activities				
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 383,154	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 383,154
Construction in progress	2,885,502	4,025,269	-	6,910,771
Total capital assets not being depreciated	3,268,656	4,025,269	-	7,293,925
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings and improvements	39,972,585	-	-	39,972,585
Improvements other than buildings	2,243,763	16,400	-	2,260,163
Furniture and equipment	4,412,316	318,576	-	4,730,892
Total capital assets being depreciated	46,628,664	334,976	-	46,963,640
Less accumulated depreciation for				
Buildings and improvements	10,754,264	767,526	-	11,521,790
Improvements other than buildings	887,621	97,342	-	984,963
Furniture and equipment	3,441,298	356,624	-	3,797,922
Total accumulated depreciation	15,083,183	1,221,492	-	16,304,675
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	31,545,481	(886,516)	-	30,658,965
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 34,814,137	\$ 3,138,753	\$ -	\$ 37,952,890
Business-type activities				
Furniture and equipment	\$ 318,093	\$ 2,817	\$ -	\$ 320,910
Less accumulated depreciation	281,402	8,801	-	290,203
Business-type activities capital assets, net	\$ 36,691	\$ (5,984)	\$ -	\$ 30,707

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**NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)**

Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions:

Governmental activities	
Instruction	\$ 151,433
Support Services	
Instructional staff	87,735
School administration	1,489
Operation and maintenance of plant	59,453
Transportation	56,514
Unallocated	<u>864,868</u>
 Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	 <u><u>\$ 1,221,492</u></u>
 Business-type activities	
Food service operations	<u><u>\$ 8,801</u></u>

**NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

Changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2024, are summarized as follows:

	Balance - Beginning of Year	Additions	Reductions	Balance - End of Year	Due Within One Year
Governmental activities					
General Obligation Bonds and Notes	\$ 15,240,000	\$ -	\$ 1,265,000	\$ 13,975,000	\$ 1,275,000
Revenue bonds	2,809,000	-	532,000	2,277,000	-
Unamortized premium on bonds payable	216,918	-	16,229	200,689	-
Finance purchase agreements	164,534	-	87,777	76,757	76,757
Net pension liability	5,255,021	698,875	-	5,953,896	-
Total OPEB liability	<u>89,535</u>	<u>208,634</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>298,169</u>	<u>-</u>
 Total	 <u><u>\$ 23,775,008</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 907,509</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 1,901,006</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 22,781,511</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 1,351,757</u></u>
 Business-type activities					
Net pension liability	\$ 195,135	\$ 43,113	\$ -	238,248	\$ -
Total OPEB liability	<u>3,832</u>	<u>9,958</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,790</u>	<u>-</u>
 Total	 <u><u>\$ 198,967</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 53,071</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ -</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 252,038</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ -</u></u>

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**NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)**

**A. General Obligation Bonds**

Details of the District's June 30, 2024, general obligation bonded indebtedness are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Bonds Issued August 7, 2018			Bonds Issued May 1, 2019		
	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest
2025	2.60%	\$ -	\$ 324,588	2.25%	\$ 900,000	\$ 47,632
2026	2.60%	-	324,588	2.25%	875,000	27,113
2027	3.00%	680,000	324,587	2.25%	230,000	7,425
2028	3.00%	695,000	304,188	2.25%	100,000	2,250
2029	3.00%	715,000	283,338	-	-	-
2030-2034	3.00 - 3.25%	3,910,000	1,079,725	-	-	-
2035-2038	3.50 - 4.00%	3,620,000	364,100	-	-	-
Total		<u>\$ 9,620,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,005,114</u>		<u>\$ 2,105,000</u>	<u>\$ 84,420</u>

Year Ending June 30,	Notes Issued November 7, 2022			Total		
	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	4.00%	\$ 375,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 1,275,000	\$ 462,220	\$ 1,737,220
2026	4.00%	375,000	75,000	1,250,000	426,701	1,676,701
2027	4.00%	375,000	60,000	1,285,000	392,012	1,677,012
2028	4.00%	375,000	45,000	1,170,000	351,438	1,521,438
2029	4.00%	375,000	30,000	1,090,000	313,338	1,403,338
2030-2034	4.00%	375,000	15,000	4,285,000	1,094,725	5,379,725
2035-2038		-	-	3,620,000	364,100	3,984,100
Total		<u>\$ 2,250,000</u>	<u>\$ 315,000</u>	<u>\$ 13,975,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,404,534</u>	<u>\$ 17,379,534</u>

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**NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)**

**B. Revenue Bonds - Direct Placement**

Details of the District's June 30, 2024, statewide sales, services and use tax revenue bonded indebtedness are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	2.13%	\$ -	\$ 24,250	\$ 24,250
2026	2.13%	547,000	42,675	589,675
2027	2.13%	560,000	30,885	590,885
2028	2.13%	577,000	18,776	595,776
2029	2.13%	593,000	6,315	599,315
Total		<u>\$ 2,277,000</u>	<u>\$ 122,901</u>	<u>\$ 2,399,901</u>

The District has pledged future statewide sales, services and use tax revenues to repay the \$5,816,000 bonds issued in November 2017. The bonds were issued for the purpose of refunding the June 2012 revenue bonds. The bonds are payable solely from the proceeds of the statewide sales, services and use tax revenues received by the District and are payable through fiscal year 2029. The bonds are not a general obligation of the District, and the debt is not subject to the constitutional debt limitation of the District. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require approximately 4 to 54 percent of the statewide sales, services and use tax revenues. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$2,399,901. For the current year, principal of \$532,000 and interest of \$54,166 was paid on the bonds and total statewide sales, services and use tax revenues were \$1,463,852.

The resolution providing for the issuance of the school infrastructure sales, services and use tax revenue bonds include the following provisions:

- (a) All proceeds from the statewide sales, services and use tax shall be placed in a Revenue Fund.
- (b) Sufficient monthly deposits amounting to one twelfth of the next principal payment and one sixth of the next interest payment shall be made to the Sinking Fund for the purpose of making the bond principal and interest payments when due.
- (c) Any monies remaining in the Revenue Fund after the required transfer to the Sinking Fund may be transferred to the Project Fund to be used for any lawful purpose.

**C. Financed Purchase Agreements**

In July 2020, the District entered into a financed purchase agreement for the purchase of computers totaling \$26,062. The agreement is payable in four annual payments of \$6,748 including interest at 2.39%.

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**NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)**

**C. Financed Purchase Agreements (Continued)**

In July 2020, the District entered into a financed purchase agreement for the purchase of computers totaling \$28,003. The agreement is payable in forty-eight monthly payments of \$639 including interest at 4.75%.

In July 2021, the District entered into a financed purchase agreement for the purchase of computers totaling \$28,449. The agreement is payable in four annual payments of \$7,415 including interest at 3.00%.

In July 2021, the District entered into a financed purchase agreement for the purchase of computers totaling \$269,968. The agreement is payable in four annual payments of \$69,660 including interest at 2.15%.

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	Financed Purchase Dated July, 2020			
	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	4.75	\$ 1,271	\$ 8	\$ 1,279
		Financed Purchase Dated July, 2021		
<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	2.15	\$ 68,194	\$ 1,466	\$ 69,660
		Financed Purchase Dated July, 2021		
<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	Interest Rates	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	3.00	\$ 7,292	\$ 123	\$ 7,415
		Total		
<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>		Principal	Interest	Total
2025		\$ 76,757	\$ 1,597	\$ 78,354

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**NOTE 6 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

**A. 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 PO Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at [www.ipers.org](http://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.

**B. 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 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 that 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.

**C. 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.

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**NOTE 6 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)**

**D. 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 one 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 2024, 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, 2024, were \$1,182,765.

**E. Net Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

As of June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability of \$6,192,144 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, 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. As of June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was 0.134197% which was a decrease of 0.00311% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2022.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized pension expense of \$639,738. As of June 30, 2024, 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	\$ 523,864	\$ 25,449
Changes of assumptions	-	98
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on IPERS investments	573,469	-
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	28,526	264,428
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	1,182,765	-
 Total	 \$ 2,308,624	 \$ 289,975

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**NOTE 6 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)**

**E. Net Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)**

The \$1,182,765 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, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,		
2025		\$ (198,005)
2026		(531,166)
2027		1,338,849
2028		206,804
2029		19,402
Total		\$ 835,884

There were no non-employer contributing entities to IPERS.

**F. Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2017)	2.6% per annum.
Salary increases (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)	7.0% compounded annually, net of investment expense, including inflation.
Wage growth (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25% per annum, based on 2.6% inflation assumption and 0.65% real wage inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, 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 2023 valuation were based on the PubG-2010 mortality tables with future mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2021.

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**NOTE 6 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)**

**F. Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)**

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 arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Asset Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Domestic equity	21.0 %	4.56 %
International equity	16.5	6.22
Global smart beta equity	5.0	5.22
Core plus fixed income	23.0	2.69
Public credit	3.0	4.38
Cash	1.0	1.59
Private equity	17.0	10.44
Private real assets	9.0	3.88
Private credit	4.5	4.60
Total	<u>100.0 %</u>	

**G. Discount Rate**

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

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**NOTE 6 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)**

**H. 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 that is one percentage point lower (6.00%) or one percentage point higher (8.00%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (6.00%)	Current Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (8.00%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ (13,165,877)	\$ (6,192,144)	\$ (348,040)

**I. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about IPERS' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS' website at [www.ipers.org](http://www.ipers.org).

**J. Payables to the Pension Plan**

As of June 30, 2024, the District reported payables to the defined benefit pension plan of \$127,354 for legally required employer contributions and \$85,009 for legally required employee contributions withheld from employee wages but not yet remitted to IPERS.

**NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

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. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year.

**NOTE 8 - AREA EDUCATION AGENCY SUPPORT**

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 \$532,335 for the year ended June 30, 2024, and is recorded in the General Fund by making a memorandum adjusting entry to the cash basis financial statements.

**NOTE 9 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB)**

**A. 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.

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**NOTE 9 - OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (CONTINUED)**

**B. Benefit Provided**

Individuals who are employed by Mount Vernon Community School 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.

**C. Members**

Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement. At June 30, 2023, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	5
Active employees	185
	185
Total	190

**D. Actuarial Assumptions**

The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2023, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumption and the entry age normal actuarial cost method, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Key Methods and Assumptions Used in Valuation of Total OPEB Liability

Discount rate	3.86%
Rates of Inflation	2.50%
Healthcare cost trend rate	7.6% for FY24, gradually decreasing over several decades to an ultimate rate of 3.9% in FY2076 and later years.
Mortality	From the 2022 Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) Demographic Assumptions Study, mortality rates were based on the Pub-1020 General mortality tables with projected mortality improvements based on scale MP-2021, and other adjustments.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023 valuation was based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.86% based on the 20-year municipal bond yield.

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**NOTE 9 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (CONTINUED)**

**D. Actuarial Assumptions (Continued)**

Changes in assumptions since the prior valuation are as follows:

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability increased from 2.37% to 3.86% 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.

**E. Total OPEB Liability**

The District's total OPEB liability of \$311,959 was measured as of June 30, 2023, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

	Total OPEB Liability (a)
	\$ 93,367
Balances at July 1, 2023	
Changes for the year	
Service cost	6,438
Interest	2,303
Assumption changes	(252,955)
Differences between expected and actual experience	468,097
Benefit payments	(5,291)
Net changes	218,592
Balances at June 30, 2024	\$ 311,959

**F. OPEB Liability Sensitivity**

The following presents the District's total OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 3.86% as well as the liability measured using 1% lower and 1% higher than the current discount rate.

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate (2.86%)	Current Discount Rate (3.86%)	1% Increase in Discount Rate (4.86%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 337,474	\$ 311,959	\$ 288,073

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

**NOTE 9 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (CONTINUED)**

**F. OPEB Liability Sensitivity (Continued)**

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 cost trend rates that are 1% lower or 1% higher than the current healthcare cost trend rate.

	1% Decrease in Trend Rate (Decreasing to 2.90%)	Current Trend Rate (Decreasing to 3.90%)	1% Increase in Trend Rate (Decreasing to 4.90%)
Total OPEB liability	\$ 277,547	\$ 311,959	\$ 352,453

**G. OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB**

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$29,518. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes of assumptions	\$ 430,959	\$ 28,467
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	4,542	244,363
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	12,259	-
Total	\$ 447,760	\$ 272,830

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

**NOTE 9 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) (CONTINUED)**

**G. OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources  
Related to OPEB (Continued)**

The \$12,259 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from the District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the total OPEB liability in the year ending June 30, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Total
2025	\$ 20,777
2026	20,777
2027	20,777
2028	20,777
2029	20,777
Thereafter	58,786
Total	\$ 162,671

**NOTE 10 - 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 or area education agency 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 restricted fund balance for categorical funding as of June 30, 2024, is comprised of the following programs:

Educator quality, professional development	\$ 169,644
Early literacy	107,753
Textbook aid for nonpublic students	66,071
Teacher salary supplement	563
Talented and gifted	2,922
Total	\$ 346,953

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

**NOTE 11 - COMMITMENTS**

The District entered into a contract related to construction projects totaling \$6,198,659 for the athletic complex. As of June 30, 2024, costs of \$5,896,472 had been incurred against the contracts. The balance of \$302,187 remaining at June 30, 2024, will be paid as work on the project progresses.

**NOTE 12 - TAX ABATEMENTS**

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 Chapter 15 and 403 of the Code of Iowa. Additionally, governmental entities may offer an urban revitalization tax abatement program pursuant to Chapter 404 of the Code of Iowa. With prior approval by the governing body, this program provides for an exemption of taxes based on a percentage of the actual value added by improvements. Property tax revenues of the District were reduced by the following amounts for the year ended June 30, 2024, under agreements entered into by the following entities:

<u>Entity</u>	<u>Tax Abatement Program</u>	<u>Amount of Tax Abated</u>
City of Mount Vernon	Urban renewal and economic development projects	\$ 85,004

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, 2024, this reimbursement amounted to \$37,028.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Schedule of Budgetary Comparison of Revenue,**  
**Expenditures/Expenses and Changes in Balances**  
**Budget to Actual - All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Fund**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual		Variance with Final Budget - Over (Under)
	Original	Final	Governmental Funds	Proprietary Fund	
<b>Revenues</b>					
Local sources	\$ 12,697,979	\$ 12,697,979	\$ 13,443,888	\$ 860,095	\$ 1,606,004
State sources	9,975,560	9,975,560	10,001,097	3,477	29,014
Federal sources	899,649	899,649	1,001,415	364,963	466,729
Total revenues	<u>23,573,188</u>	<u>23,573,188</u>	<u>24,446,400</u>	<u>1,228,535</u>	<u>2,101,747</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>					
Instruction	13,190,672	13,190,672	12,726,509	-	(464,163)
Support services	6,509,334	6,509,334	6,188,460	-	(320,874)
Noninstructional programs	1,092,177	1,171,043	-	1,175,644	4,601
Other expenditures	7,228,390	7,379,012	7,249,450	-	(129,562)
Total expenditures	<u>28,020,573</u>	<u>28,250,061</u>	<u>26,164,419</u>	<u>1,175,644</u>	<u>(909,998)</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(4,447,385)	(4,676,873)	(1,718,019)	52,891	3,011,745
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses) (Net)</b>	<u>(32,084)</u>	<u>(32,084)</u>	<u>16,552</u>	<u>(13,603)</u>	<u>35,033</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ (4,479,469)</u>	<u>\$ (4,708,957)</u>	<u>\$ (1,701,467)</u>	39,288	<u>\$ 3,046,778</u>
<b>Fund Balance</b>					
Beginning of year			<u>4,484,461</u>	<u>402,630</u>	
End of year			<u>\$ 2,782,994</u>	<u>\$ 441,918</u>	

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information-  
Budgetary Reporting**

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 internal service, 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, noninstructional 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 did not amend the budget.

During the year ended June 30, 2024, expenditures did not exceed the District's budget except for the noninstructional programs function.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of District's Proportionate Share  
of the Net Pension Liability  
Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System  
Last Ten Years (In Thousands)**

Measurement Date	District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	District's Covered Employee Payroll	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2015	0.1316%	\$ 5,218	\$ 9,194	56.76%	87.61%
2016	0.1334%	6,592	9,351	70.50%	85.19%
2017	0.1302%	8,196	9,910	82.70%	81.82%
2018	0.1328%	8,848	10,325	85.70%	82.21%
2019	0.1373%	8,691	10,742	80.91%	83.62%
2020	0.1410%	8,166	11,197	72.93%	85.45%
2021	0.1411%	9,913	11,377	87.13%	82.90%
2022	0.1402%	197	11,621	1.70%	99.60%
2023	0.1373%	5,450	12,044	45.25%	91.41%
2024	0.1342%	6,192	12,532	49.41%	90.13%

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of District Contributions  
Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System  
Last Ten Years (In Thousands)**

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	Statutorily Required Contribution	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contributions	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered Employee Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
2015	\$ 821	\$ 821	-	\$ 9,194	8.93%
2016	835	835	-	9,351	8.93%
2017	885	885	-	9,910	8.93%
2018	922	922	-	10,325	8.93%
2019	1,014	1,014	-	10,742	9.44%
2020	1,057	1,057	-	11,197	9.44%
2021	1,074	1,074	-	11,377	9.44%
2022	1,097	1,097	-	11,621	9.44%
2023	1,137	1,137	-	12,044	9.44%
2024	1,183	1,183	-	12,532	9.44%

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**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information -  
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 7.0%.
- Decreased the wage growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.
- Decreased the payroll growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of Changes in Total OPEB Liability,  
Related Ratios and Notes**

	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2021
<b>Total OPEB Liability</b>				
Service cost	\$ 10,151	\$ 10,151	\$ 7,533	\$ 7,533
Interest	3,237	3,389	2,785	2,818
Differences between expected and actual experience	(9,315)	(11,257)	28,180	(7,142)
Changes of assumptions	-	-	(35,916)	-
Recognition of Deferred Inflows/Outflows	-	-	-	-
Benefit payments	-	-	(2,642)	(1,685)
Net change in total OPEB liability	<u>4,073</u>	<u>2,283</u>	<u>(60)</u>	<u>1,524</u>
Beginning of year	<u>76,874</u>	<u>80,947</u>	<u>83,230</u>	<u>83,170</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 80,947</u>	<u>\$ 83,230</u>	<u>\$ 83,170</u>	<u>\$ 84,694</u>
Covered employee payroll	\$ 1,938,795	\$ 2,033,439	\$ 1,981,233	\$ 2,098,346
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	4.18%	4.09%	4.20%	4.04%

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

*Change in benefit terms:*

There were no significant changes in benefit terms.

*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, 2024	3.86%
Year ended June 30, 2023	2.37%
Year ended June 30, 2022	2.37%
Year ended June 30, 2021	3.15%
Year ended June 30, 2020	3.15%
Year ended June 30, 2019	3.72%
Year ended June 30, 2018	3.72%
Year ended June 30, 2017	3.72%

Additional changes in assumptions since the prior valuation are as follows.

- The inflation rate decreased from 3.00% to 2.50%.

Note: Schedule is intended to show ten year trend. Additional years will be reported as they become available.

<u>June 30, 2022</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2024</u>
\$ 6,438	\$ 6,438	\$ 6,438
2,206	2,290	2,303
(4,554)	-	468,097
6,522	-	(252,955)
(5,139)	(5,528)	-
-	-	(5,291)
<u>5,473</u>	<u>3,200</u>	<u>218,592</u>
<u>84,694</u>	<u>90,167</u>	<u>93,367</u>
<u>\$ 90,167</u>	<u>\$ 93,367</u>	<u>\$ 311,959</u>
\$ 2,221,842	\$ 2,582,781	\$ 11,360,739
4.06%	3.61%	2.75%

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Combining Balance Sheet -  
Nonmajor Governmental Funds  
June 30, 2024**

	Special Revenue Funds			Total
	Student Activity (21)	Management Levy (22)	Public Education and Recreation Levy (24)	
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash and investments	\$ 259,042	\$ 186,785	\$ 30,747	\$ 476,574
Receivables				
Property tax - current year	-	3,064	364	3,428
Property tax - succeeding year	-	524,999	51,617	576,616
Accounts receivable	10,916	-	-	10,916
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 269,958</b>	<b>\$ 714,848</b>	<b>\$ 82,728</b>	<b>\$ 1,067,534</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Accounts payable	\$ 37,240	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,240
Salaries and benefits payable	293	-	-	293
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>37,533</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>37,533</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>				
Unavailable revenue - succeeding year property tax	-	524,999	51,617	576,616
<b>Fund Balances</b>				
Restricted				
Management levy purposes	-	189,849	-	189,849
Public education and recreation	-	-	31,111	31,111
Student activities	232,425	-	-	232,425
<b>Total fund balances</b>	<b>232,425</b>	<b>189,849</b>	<b>31,111</b>	<b>453,385</b>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances</b>	<b>\$ 269,958</b>	<b>\$ 714,848</b>	<b>\$ 82,728</b>	<b>\$ 1,067,534</b>

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,**  
**and Changes in Fund Balances - Nonmajor Governmental Funds**  
**June 30, 2024**

	Special Revenue Funds			Total
	Student Activity (21)	Management Levy (22)	Public Education and Recreation Levy (24)	
<b>Revenues</b>				
Revenue from local sources				
Local property taxes	\$ -	\$ 403,230	\$ 47,910	\$ 451,140
Other local and county revenues	843,805	1,775	639	846,219
Revenue from state sources	-	3,030	360	3,390
Total revenues	<u>843,805</u>	<u>408,035</u>	<u>48,909</u>	<u>1,300,749</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Current				
Instruction	752,280	-	-	752,280
Support services				
Administration	-	83,639	-	83,639
Operation and maintenance of plant	-	220,883	-	220,883
Transportation	20,792	31,810	-	52,602
Facilities acquisition	-	-	43,419	43,419
Capital outlay	68,714	-	-	68,714
Total expenditures	<u>841,786</u>	<u>336,332</u>	<u>43,419</u>	<u>1,221,537</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	2,019	71,703	5,490	79,212
<b>Other Financing Uses</b>				
Transfers in	3,262	-	-	3,262
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>3,262</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,262</u>
Net change in fund balances	5,281	71,703	5,490	82,474
<b>Fund Balances</b>				
Beginning of year	<u>227,144</u>	<u>118,146</u>	<u>25,621</u>	<u>370,911</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 232,425</u>	<u>\$ 189,849</u>	<u>\$ 31,111</u>	<u>\$ 453,385</u>

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Schedule of Changes in Student Activity**  
**Special Revenue Fund**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Account	Balance - Beginning of Year	Revenue	Expenditures	Balance - End of Year
High School				
Drama and Speech	\$ -	\$ 5,450	\$ 5,450	\$ -
Spring Musical	17,286	17,133	23,454	10,965
Vocal	248	6,904	3,913	3,239
Jazz Choir	723	5,832	5,502	1,053
Band	-	27,820	27,820	-
Fine Arts	621	28,443	28,763	301
Jazz Band	376	3,539	2,348	1,567
Cross County Co-Ed	-	3,984	3,984	-
Tennis	-	730	730	-
Boys Basketball	4,865	5,557	8,434	1,988
Boys Football	6,532	25,715	25,547	6,700
Boys Soccer	-	3,834	3,834	-
Boys Baseball	-	7,450	7,450	-
Boys Track	-	5,491	5,491	-
Boys Golf	-	4,635	4,635	-
Miscellaneous Athletics	-	232,235	246,134	(13,899)
Boys Wrestling	1,791	9,338	9,512	1,617
Girls Basketball	-	10,589	10,589	-
Girls Volleyball	4,309	8,109	7,462	4,956
Girls Soccer	538	3,225	2,508	1,255
Girls Softball	-	8,519	8,519	-
Girls Track	-	6,809	6,809	-
Girls Golf	(2,786)	6,777	3,991	-
Girls Swimming	-	1,000	1,000	-
Girls Wrestling	-	2,348	2,348	-
Fundraising Football	6,610	39,766	42,430	3,946
Fundraising Boys Soccer	157	1,533	1,690	-
Fundraising Girls Soccer	181	999	41	1,139
Boys Basketball Fundraising	1,940	26,117	24,653	3,404
Girls Track and Field Fundraising	642	3,246	2,134	1,754
Volleyball Fundraising	171	14,236	12,407	2,000
Fundraising Cross County	241	4,455	2,200	2,496
Fundraising Boys Track	633	1,279	180	1,732
Fundraising Softball	742	10,918	11,398	262
Girls Basketball Fundraising	1,597	10,664	8,872	3,389
Baseball Fundraising	4,197	6,033	7,541	2,689
Fundraising Boys Golf	228	7,100	6,598	730
Activities Group Resale	-	5,449	5,372	77
Post Prom	275	2,165	2,165	275
Band Trip	11,134	-	644	10,490
J-Term Clubs	-	8,554	8,554	-

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Schedule of Changes in Student Activity**  
**Special Revenue Fund**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Account	Balance - Beginning of Year	Revenue	Expenditures	Balance - End of Year
<b>High School (Continued)</b>				
Entrepreneurship Club	\$ 678	\$ 2,148	\$ 1,917	\$ 909
Social Justice	2,650	144	948	1,846
Art Club	2,931	708	618	3,021
Student Activities Group	-	2,900	2,311	589
Music Uniforms/Robe Cleaning	6,548	3,030	5,657	3,921
Student Council	2,870	2,782	1,369	4,283
Yearbook	11,732	15,897	26,314	1,315
Prom Activity	3,048	2,927	2,707	3,268
Cheerleading	-	4,495	1,541	2,954
Science Olympiad	7,485	1,824	2,982	6,327
Robotics	831	4,263	3,854	1,240
The Stable	5,583	33,286	35,023	3,846
Thespian Society Club	-	2,222	2,222	-
Speed and Agility Club	-	49,067	32,543	16,524
International Students Club	27	-	-	27
Mustang Crafters	88	-	-	88
Scholarship	355	938	850	443
German Trip	136	-	-	136
Spanish Club	2,699	-	-	2,699
Library Club	5,667	29	72	5,624
Mustang Munchies	1,038	-	-	1,038
E-Sports Club	154	-	-	154
Reindeer Games	-	20,989	19,986	1,003
Gender and Sexualities Alliances	-	870	580	290
Seal of Biliteracy	680	220	-	900
Fall Play	912	12,713	9,973	3,652
Special Activities Group Fees	2,417	195	-	2,612
Side by Side	314	-	-	314
<b>Middle School</b>				
Art Club	483	247	567	163
Band	196	362	167	391
Cross Country	608	-	271	337
Boys Basketball	6,517	3,485	2,851	7,151
Boys Football	5,446	3,687	2,437	6,696
Boys Track	940	3,216	184	3,972
Boys Wrestling	9,562	4,365	1,557	12,370
Girls Basketball	2,519	2,826	2,189	3,156
Girls Volleyball	4,643	3,090	1,752	5,981
Girls Softball	3,199	-	865	2,334
Girls Track	942	-	348	594
Girls Wrestling	-	136	136	-
Activities Group Resale	363	-	-	363
Student Activities Group	7,375	556	-	7,931

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Schedule of Changes in Student Activity**  
**Special Revenue Fund**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Account	Balance - Beginning of Year	Revenue	Expenditures	Balance - End of Year
Middle School (Continued)				
Strings	\$ 1,140	\$ 4,477	\$ 2,126	\$ 3,491
Student Council	2,196	1	-	2,197
Yearbook	8,992	4,155	4,041	9,106
Science Olympiad	3,759	3,704	3,788	3,675
Canstruction	4,100	4,340	5,149	3,291
Book Club	475	-	-	475
PTO	-	1,000	1,000	-
7th Grade Service Club	1,705	611	1,443	873
Band Instruments	1,899	2,664	1,756	2,807
Robotics	682	-	-	682
Special Activities Group Fees	-	9,168	7,148	2,020
Trips	9,801	32,552	34,506	7,847
Birthday Books	4,071	1,669	1,648	4,092
Gender and Sexualities Alliances	1,418	946	494	1,870
Elementary				
Student Activities Group	8,841	1,740	9,715	866
Trips	-	1,337	1,337	-
WETAP	-	5,854	5,854	-
Birthday Books	13,178	5,252	3,884	14,546
Total	<u>\$ 227,144</u>	<u>\$ 847,067</u>	<u>\$ 841,786</u>	<u>\$ 232,425</u>

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Combining Balance Sheet -  
Capital Projects Fund Accounts  
June 30, 2024**

	Capital Projects		
	Statewide Sales, Services and Use Tax (33)	Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (36)	Total
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and investments	\$ 532,042	\$ 444,305	\$ 976,347
Receivables			
Property tax - delinquent	-	4,711	4,711
Property tax - succeeding year	-	701,158	701,158
Accounts receivable	-	152	152
Due from other governmental units	134,696	-	134,696
	<u>\$ 666,738</u>	<u>\$ 1,150,326</u>	<u>\$ 1,817,064</u>
Total assets			
	<u>\$ 666,738</u>	<u>\$ 1,150,326</u>	<u>\$ 1,817,064</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accounts and contracts payable	\$ 141,828	\$ 162,023	\$ 303,851
Total liabilities	<u>141,828</u>	<u>162,023</u>	<u>303,851</u>
	<u>141,828</u>	<u>162,023</u>	<u>303,851</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>			
Unavailable revenue - succeeding year property tax	-	701,158	701,158
	<u>-</u>	<u>701,158</u>	<u>701,158</u>
School infrastructure	524,910	-	524,910
Physical plant and equipment	-	287,145	287,145
Total fund balances	<u>524,910</u>	<u>287,145</u>	<u>812,055</u>
	<u>524,910</u>	<u>287,145</u>	<u>812,055</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 666,738</u>	<u>\$ 1,150,326</u>	<u>\$ 1,817,064</u>
	<u>\$ 666,738</u>	<u>\$ 1,150,326</u>	<u>\$ 1,817,064</u>

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**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures,**  
**and Changes in Fund Balances - Capital Projects Fund Accounts**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	Capital Projects		
	Statewide Sales, Services and Use Tax (33)	Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (36)	Total
<b>Revenues</b>			
Revenue from local sources			
Local property taxes	\$ -	\$ 652,999	\$ 652,999
Other local and county revenues	21,134	1,953,699	1,974,833
Revenue from state sources	1,463,852	4,454	1,468,306
Revenue from federal sources	137,153	-	137,153
Total revenues	<u>1,622,139</u>	<u>2,611,152</u>	<u>4,233,291</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
Facilities acquisition and construction	231,879	4,030,639	4,262,518
Capital outlay	378,211	6,468	384,679
Debt service			
Interest and fiscal charges	3,800	-	3,800
Total expenditures	<u>613,890</u>	<u>4,037,107</u>	<u>4,650,997</u>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	1,008,249	(1,425,955)	(417,706)
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>			
Transfers out	<u>(684,283)</u>	<u>(480,000)</u>	<u>(1,164,283)</u>
Net change in fund balances	323,966	(1,905,955)	(1,581,989)
<b>Fund Balances</b>			
Beginning of year	<u>200,944</u>	<u>2,193,100</u>	<u>2,394,044</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 524,910</u>	<u>\$ 287,145</u>	<u>\$ 812,055</u>

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Schedule of Revenue by Source and Expenditures by Function -**  
**All Governmental Fund Types**  
**(Modified Accrual Basis)**  
**Last Ten Years**

	Fiscal Year			
	2024	2023	2022	2021
<b>Revenue</b>				
Local sources				
Local tax	\$ 7,040,633	\$ 6,790,603	\$ 6,523,092	\$ 6,516,493
Tuition	3,297,342	3,016,463	2,799,180	2,554,511
Other	3,105,913	1,231,814	839,376	758,762
State sources	10,001,097	9,839,800	9,256,739	8,647,430
Federal sources	1,001,415	866,978	1,002,228	1,047,464
Total revenue	<u>24,446,400</u>	<u>21,745,658</u>	<u>20,420,615</u>	<u>19,524,660</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Instruction	12,572,069	12,932,322	11,638,135	11,270,928
Support Services				
Student	883,140	843,069	816,823	709,335
Instructional staff	1,123,239	1,187,185	1,177,345	1,345,268
Administration	1,845,640	1,754,706	1,587,850	1,587,525
Operation and maintenance of plant	1,452,917	1,377,645	1,244,886	1,231,729
Transportation	445,131	415,480	415,017	473,921
Other expenditures				
AEA flowthrough	532,335	528,611	515,911	494,106
Facilities acquisition	4,305,937	3,200,263	536,576	885,325
Capital outlay	555,882	693,425	922,864	-
Debt Service				
Principal	1,885,549	1,792,963	1,365,610	1,330,586
Interest and fiscal charges	562,580	551,301	505,312	530,217
Total expenditures	<u>26,164,419</u>	<u>25,276,970</u>	<u>20,726,329</u>	<u>19,858,940</u>

Fiscal Year					
2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
\$ 6,265,867	\$ 6,099,803	\$ 5,892,495	\$ 5,712,377	\$ 5,580,702	\$ 5,386,010
2,638,768	2,517,223	2,376,477	2,152,160	1,977,506	1,835,254
1,209,787	1,124,106	949,008	754,413	763,714	624,863
8,642,971	8,474,469	8,230,267	8,158,339	7,515,427	7,600,438
534,476	420,775	428,149	358,592	327,304	371,365
<u>19,291,869</u>	<u>18,636,376</u>	<u>17,876,396</u>	<u>17,135,881</u>	<u>16,164,653</u>	<u>15,817,930</u>
11,031,604	10,677,418	10,632,305	10,176,792	9,612,799	9,578,809
436,797	394,341	330,792	331,462	306,361	287,779
1,302,770	1,257,452	1,443,254	1,065,903	598,505	592,021
1,829,591	1,705,630	1,625,949	1,644,488	1,564,443	1,518,545
1,088,569	1,100,179	981,133	984,524	888,656	937,466
328,132	425,291	349,284	475,042	444,242	372,323
485,454	475,660	468,090	448,028	444,119	443,381
9,005,672	4,458,182	983,157	268,293	202,123	509,495
-	-	-	-	-	-
1,726,414	1,379,395	1,138,004	895,000	945,000	925,000
621,352	676,565	699,379	354,955	373,495	391,452
<u>27,856,355</u>	<u>22,550,113</u>	<u>18,651,347</u>	<u>16,644,487</u>	<u>15,379,743</u>	<u>15,556,271</u>

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Federal Agency/Pass Through Agency/Program Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Expenditures
<b>U.S. Department of Agriculture</b>		
Through Iowa Department of Education		
Child Nutrition Cluster		
Commodities Programs (noncash assistance)	10.555	\$ 59,878
School Breakfast	10.553	25,334
Supply Chain Assistance	10.555	60,423
Type A Lunch	10.555	191,043
Total Child Nutrition Cluster		<u>336,678</u>
Team Nutrition Grant	10.574	285
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		<u>336,963</u>
<b>Federal Communications Commission</b>		
Through Iowa Department of Education		
Emergency Connectivity Fund	32.009	<u>137,153</u>
<b>U.S. Department of Education</b>		
Through Grant Wood Area Education Agency		
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	48,927
Through Iowa Department of Education		
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	75,199
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	10,207
Title IIA - Federal Teacher Quality Program	84.367	15,318
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program (Title IV)	84.424	11,298
COVID-19 Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief		
- Homeless Children	84.425W	744
Total through Iowa Department of Education		<u>112,766</u>
Total U.S. Department of Education		<u>161,693</u>
<b>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</b>		
Direct		
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and National Significance	93.243	238,345
Child Care Development Block Grants	93.575	28,000
Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act	93.799	46,074
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services		<u>312,419</u>
<b>U.S. Department of Justice</b>		
Direct		
STOP School Violence Prevention and Mental Health Training Programs	16.839	<u>85,296</u>
Total federal expenditures		<u>\$ 1,033,524</u>

See notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

**Mount Vernon Community School District**  
**Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**

**NOTE 1 - BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes of net assets, or cash flows of the District.

**NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

**NOTE 3 - PASS-THROUGH GRANT NUMBERS**

All pass-through entities listed above use the same Assistance Listing numbers as the federal grantors to identify these grants and have not assigned any additional identifying numbers.

**NOTE 4 - INVENTORY**

Inventories of commodities donated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture are recorded at market value in the Food Service Fund as inventory. Revenue and expenditures are recorded when commodities are used.

**NOTE 5 - INDIRECT COST RATE**

The District did not elect to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate, as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

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

**Independent Auditor's Report**

To the School Board  
Mount Vernon Community School District  
Mount Vernon, Iowa

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Mount Vernon Community School District, Mount Vernon, Iowa, as of and for the year ending June 30, 2024, and the related notes to basic financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 18, 2025.

**Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs that we consider to be material weaknesses identified as Audit Finding 2024-001 and 2024-002.

### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's basic financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the basic financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance or other matters that are described in part IV of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the District's operations for the year ended June 30, 2024, are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the basic 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.

### **District's Responses to Findings**

*Government Auditing Standards* requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's responses to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The District's responses were not subjected to the 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.

BerganKDV, Ltd.

St. Cloud, Minnesota  
June 18, 2025



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

**Independent Auditor's Report**

To the School Board  
Mount Vernon Community School District  
Mount Vernon, Iowa

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

**Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited the compliance of Mount Vernon Community School District, Mount Vernon, Iowa with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned.

In our opinion, Mount Vernon 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, 2024.

**Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); 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 the 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 the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

**Responsibilities of Management for Compliance**

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

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance**

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

Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *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 the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Example Entity'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 that we identified during the audit.

### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we did identify a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items, 2024-003, to be a material weakness.

**Report on Internal Control over Compliance (Continued)**

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.

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

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.

BerganKDV, Ltd.

St. Cloud, Minnesota  
June 18, 2025

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance**

**SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS**

**Financial Statements**

Type of auditor's report issued: We issued an unmodified opinion on the fair presentation of the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

Internal control over financial reporting:  
 • Material weakness(es) identified? Yes 2024-001, 2024-002  
 • Significant deficiency(ies) identified? None reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? No

**Federal Awards**

Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

Internal control over major programs:  
 • Material weakness(es) identified? Yes 2024-003  
 • Significant deficiency(ies) identified? None reported

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516? No

**Identification of Major Programs**

Assistance Listing No: 10.553/10.555  
 Name of Federal Program or Cluster: Child Nutrition Cluster

Assistance Listing No: 93.243  
 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services  
 Name of Federal Program or Cluster: Projects of Regional and National Significance

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low risk auditee? No

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance**

**SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

**Audit Finding 2024-001**

*Criteria:*

Internal control that supports the District's ability to initiate, record, process and report financial data requires adequate controls to ensure all required adjustments to the basic financial statements are properly recorded.

*Condition:*

During the course of our engagement, we proposed material audit adjustments that would not have been identified as a result of the District's existing internal control system and, therefore, could have resulted in material misstatements of the District's basic financial statements. In order to ensure financial statements were free from material misstatements, audit adjustments were required to properly adjust accounts receivable and accounts payable.

*Context:*

This finding impacts the internal control over financial reporting.

*Effect or Potential Effect:*

Internal controls that fail to identify necessary adjustments could result in material misstatements to the basic financial statements.

*Cause:*

There are a limited number of office employees to identify all necessary adjustments.

*Recommendation:*

Review District activity and ensure all necessary adjustments to financial data are recorded.

*Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions:*

**CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (CAP):**

1. Explanation of Disagreement with Audit Finding

There is no disagreement with the audit finding.

2. Actions Planned in Response to Finding

Administration will ensure that all material entries are recorded prior to the audit.

3. Official Responsible for Ensuring CAP

Michael Marshall, Board Secretary/Treasurer, is the official responsible for ensuring corrective action of the deficiency.

4. Planned Completion Date for CAP

The planned completion date for the CAP is June 30, 2025.

5. Plan to Monitor Completion of CAP

The School Board will be monitoring this CAP.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
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**SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

**Audit Finding 2024-002**

*Criteria:*

Internal control that supports the District's ability to initiate, record, process, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements requires adequate segregation of accounting duties.

*Condition:*

During the year ended June 30, 2024, the District had a lack of segregation of accounting duties due to a limited number of office employees. This lack of segregation of accounting duties can be demonstrated in the following areas, which is not intended to be an all-inclusive list:

- The Board Secretary/Treasurer can reconcile receipts received, enter receipts into the accounting system, and prepare the bank reconciliation.
- The Board Secretary/Treasurer has access to all areas of the accounting system.
- The Board Secretary/Treasurer reconciles property taxes and federal receivables and capital assets without review.
- The Board Secretary/Treasurer has the ability to make changes to payroll and is responsible for processing payroll without review.

Management is aware of this condition and will take certain steps to compensate for the lack of segregation. However, due to the small accounting staff needed to handle all of the accounting duties, the cost of obtaining desirable segregation of accounting duties can often exceed benefits which could be derived. Due to this reason, management has determined a complete segregation of accounting duties is impractical to correct.

*Context:*

This finding impacts the internal control over financial reporting.

*Effect or Potential Effect:*

The lack of adequate segregation of accounting duties could adversely affect the District's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

*Cause:*

There are a limited number of office employees.

*Recommendation:*

Continue to review the accounting system, including changes that may occur. Implement segregation whenever practical.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance**

**SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS (CONTINUED)**

**Audit Finding 2024-002 (Continued)**

*Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions:*

**CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (CAP):**

1. Explanation of Disagreement with Audit Finding  
There is no disagreement with the audit finding.
2. Actions Planned in Response to Finding  
Administration will add additional internal controls where the benefit exceeds the cost.
3. Official Responsible for Ensuring CAP  
Michael Marshall, Board Secretary/Treasurer, is the official responsible for ensuring corrective action of the deficiency.
4. Planned Completion Date for CAP  
The planned completion date for the CAP is June 30, 2025.
5. Plan to Monitor Completion of CAP  
The School Board will be monitoring this CAP.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance**

**SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

**Audit Finding 2024-003 - Lack of Segregation of Duties**

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and National Significance, U.S. Department of Agriculture: Child Nutrition Cluster**

*Criteria:*

Internal control that supports the District's ability to initiate, record, process, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements requires adequate segregation of accounting duties.

*Condition:*

During the year ended June 30, 2024, the District had a lack of segregation of accounting duties due to a limited number of office employees. This lack of segregation of accounting duties can be demonstrated in the following areas, which is not intended to be an all-inclusive list:

- The Program Director is responsible for reporting without review
- The Program Director is responsible for preparing reimbursement requests without review

Management is aware of this condition and will take certain steps to compensate for the lack of segregation. However, due to the small accounting staff needed to handle all of the accounting duties, the cost of obtaining desirable segregation of accounting duties can often exceed benefits which could be derived. Due to this reason, management has determined a complete segregation of accounting duties is impractical to correct.

*Context:*

This finding impacts the internal control over financial reporting.

*Effect or Potential Effect:*

The lack of adequate segregation of accounting duties could adversely affect the District's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

*Cause:*

There are a limited number of office employees.

*Recommendation:*

Continue to review the accounting system, including changes that may occur. Implement segregation whenever practical.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance**

**SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED)**

**Audit Finding 2024-003 - Lack of Segregation of Duties (Continued)**

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and National Significance, U.S. Department of Agriculture: Child Nutrition Cluster**

*Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions:*

**CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (CAP):**

1. Explanation of Disagreement with Audit Finding  
There is no disagreement with the audit finding.
2. Actions Planned in Response to Finding  
Administration will add additional internal controls where the benefit exceeds the cost.
3. Official Responsible for Ensuring CAP  
Michael Marshall, Board Secretary/Treasurer, is the official responsible for ensuring corrective action of the deficiency.
4. Planned Completion Date for CAP  
The planned completion date for the CAP is June 30, 2025.
5. Plan to Monitor Completion of CAP  
The School Board will be monitoring this CAP.

**Mount Vernon Community School District  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance**

**SECTION IV - OTHER FINDINGS RELATED TO STATUTORY REPORTING**

**IV-A-24 - Certified Budget**

*Finding:*

Disbursements in the Non instructional programs function exceeded the amounts budgeted.

*Auditor's Recommendation:*

The budget should have been amended in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

*District's Response and Corrective Action Plan:*

The District will ensure the budget is amended before expenditures exceed budgeted amounts in the future.

*Auditor's Conclusion:*

Response accepted.

**IV-B-24 - Questionable Expenditures**

We noted no expenditures that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's Opinion dated April 25, 1979.

**IV-C-24 - Travel Expense**

No expenditures of District money for travel expenses of spouse of District officials or employees were noted. No travel advances to District officials or employees were noted.

**IV-D-24 - Business Transactions**

No business transactions between the District and District officials or employees were noted.

**IV-E-24 - 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*.

**IV-F-24 - 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 that coverage is adequate for current operations.

**IV-G-24 - Board Minutes**

No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not.

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**SECTION IV - OTHER FINDINGS RELATED TO STATUTORY REPORTING (CONTINUED)**

**IV-H-24 - Certified Enrollment**

*Finding:*

The following variances in the basic enrollment data certified to the Iowa Department of Education were noted:

- The District counted one student that was not enrolled.

The error resulted in the District over-reporting by one student.

*Auditor's Recommendation:*

The District should review procedures to ensure accurate counts are taken throughout the year and accurate enrollment data is certified to the Iowa Department of Education.

*District's Response and Corrective Action Plan:*

The District will contact the Iowa Department of Education and Iowa Department of Management notifying them of the above changes. The District will continue to monitor reconciliations of District information to information certified to the Iowa Department of Education.

*Auditor's Conclusion:*

Response accepted.

**IV-I-24 - Supplementary Weighting**

There were no variances noted in the supplementary weighting data certified to the Iowa Department of Education.

**IV-J-24 - Deposits and Investments**

No instances of noncompliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the *Code of Iowa* and the District's investment policy were noted.

**IV-K-24 - Certified Annual Report**

The Certified Annual Report was certified timely to the Iowa Department of Education.

**IV-L-24 - Categorical Funding**

No instances were found of categorical funding being used to supplant rather than supplement other funds.

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**SECTION IV - OTHER FINDINGS RELATED TO STATUTORY REPORTING (CONTINUED)**

**IV-M-24 - Statewide Sales, Services, and Use Tax**

No instances of noncompliance with the allowable use of the statewide sales, services, and use tax revenue provided in 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, 2024, the District reported the following information regarding the statewide sales, services and use tax revenue in the District's CAR:

Beginning balance		\$	200,944
Revenue/other financing sources			
Sales tax revenue	\$ 1,463,852		
Other local revenue	21,134		
Revenue from federal sources	137,153		
			1,622,139
Expenditures/transfers out			
School infrastructure construction	613,890		
Transfer to other funds			
Debt service fund	684,283		
			1,298,173
Ending balance		\$	524,910

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District did not reduce any levies as a result of the moneys received under Chapter 423E or 423F of the *Code of Iowa*.

**IV-N-24 - Deficit Balances**

*Finding*

At June 30, 2024, the District had one account in the Student Activity Fund with a deficit unassigned fund balance totaling \$13,899.

*Auditor's Recommendation*

The District should continue to monitor these accounts and investigate alternatives to eliminate the deficit.

*District's Response and Corrective Action Plan*

The District will monitor these accounts and develop a plan to eliminate the deficit account.

*Auditor's Conclusion*

Response accepted.

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**SECTION IV - OTHER FINDINGS RELATED TO STATUTORY REPORTING (CONTINUED)**

**IV-O-24 - Official Depositories**

Finding - A resolution naming official depositories has not been adopted by the School Board as required by Chapter 12C.2 of the *Code of Iowa*.

Auditor's Recommendation - A resolution in amounts sufficient to cover anticipated balances at all approved depositories should be adopted by the School Board as required.

District's Response and Corrective Action Plan - The District will ensure a depository resolution is adopted.

Auditor's Conclusion - Response accepted.

**SECTION V - PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

None

**APPENDIX E – FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATES**

[FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE TO BE USED IF  
COMPETITIVE SALE REQUIREMENTS ARE MET]

**MOUNT VERNON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**\$ \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE SALES, SERVICES, AND USE TAX REVENUE 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 May 19, 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 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 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: [ISSUE DATE]

SCHEDULE A  
EXPECTED OFFERING PRICES  
(Attached)

SCHEDULE B  
COPY OF UNDERWRITER'S BID  
(Attached)

[FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE TO BE USED IF  
COMPETITIVE SALE REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT MET]

**MOUNT VERNON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**\$ \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE SALES, SERVICES, AND USE TAX REVENUE BONDS SERIES 2026**  
**ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER/REPRESENTATIVE] ("Purchaser")[the "Representative"]], on behalf of itself and [NAMES OF OTHER UNDERWRITERS] (together, the "Underwriting Group"), 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][The Underwriting Group] 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 Official Terms of Offering and bid award, [Purchaser][the members of the Underwriting Group] [has][have] agreed in writing that, (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, [it][they] 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 27, 2026), or (ii) the date on which [Purchaser][the Underwriters] [has][have] 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 Mount Vernon 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 May 19, 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][the Representative'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 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][REPRESENTATIVE]

By:

Name:

Dated: [ISSUE DATE]

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