

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
Year Ended June 30, 2015



Certified Public Accountants and Business Consultants

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FINANCIAL SECTION

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of School Directors
Upper Merion Area School District
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Upper Merion Area School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Upper Merion Area School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

To the Board of School Directors
Upper Merion Area School District
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Upper Merion Area School District as of June 30, 2015, 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.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note R to the financial statements, for the year ended June 30, 2015, the Upper Merion Area School District adopted new accounting guidance, implementing Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions--An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 6 through 15, budgetary comparison information on pages 53 through 54, schedule of the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability on page 55, schedule of the School District's contributions on page 56 and postemployment benefits other than pension funding progress on page 57 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Upper Merion Area School District's basic financial statements. The supplementary information listed in the table of contents and the schedule of expenditures of federal and certain state awards, as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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Upper Merion Area School District
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

The supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal and certain state awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information and the schedule of expenditures of federal and certain state 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 November 9, 2015, on our consideration of the Upper Merion Area School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 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 Upper Merion Area School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Oaks, Pennsylvania
November 9, 2015

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited)

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

The discussion and analysis of the Upper Merion Area School District's financial performance provides an overall review of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is an element of the new reporting model adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in its Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements--and Management's Discussion and Analysis--for State and Local Governments*, issued in June 1999. Certain comparative information between the current year and the prior year is required to be presented in the MD&A.

SCHOOL DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

Upper Merion Area School District is comprised of the municipal subdivisions of the Borough of Bridgeport, the Borough of West Conshohocken and Upper Merion Township in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, and covers an area of approximately 19 square miles. The School District had an enrollment of 3,927 students in 2014-15. The School District employs approximately 324 professional staff, 315 support staff and 23 administrators.

Upper Merion Area School District consists of four elementary schools, one middle school and one high school.

The School District's commitment to providing an excellent education for each student can be seen in the quality of programs and opportunities the School District maintains and supports.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The School District's budget is prepared according to Pennsylvania law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The School District uses site-based budgeting, and the budgeting system is designed to tightly control total site budgets but provide flexibility for site management.

Overall operating expenditures of the General Fund were \$81,996,637. Actual operating revenues exceeded actual operating expenses by \$4,368,189.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GASB Statement No. 34 and present both government-wide and fund level financial statements using both the accrual and modified accrual basis of accounting, respectively.

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

- The first two statements are *government-wide financial statements* that provide both short-term and long-term information about the School District's overall financial status.

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- The remaining statements are *fund financial statements* that focus on individual parts of the School District, reporting the School District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.

The **Governmental Funds** statements tell how basic services, such as regular and special education, were financed in the short term, as well as what remains for future spending.

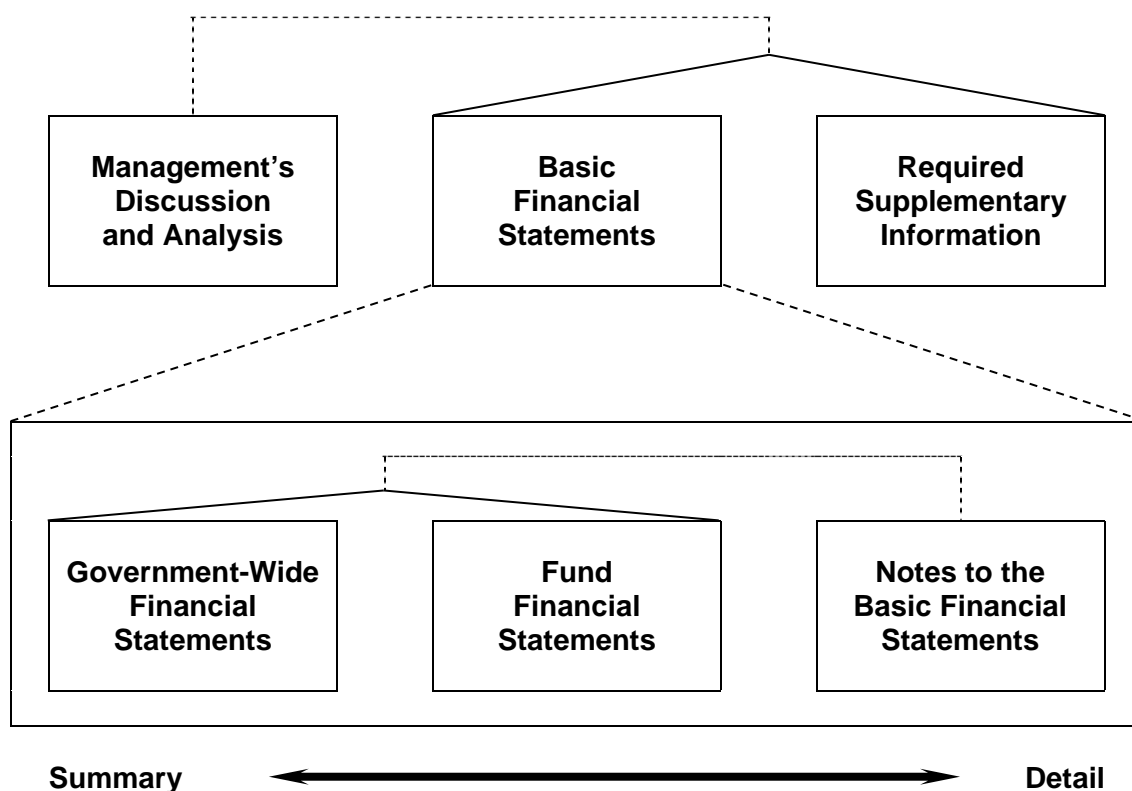
Proprietary Funds statements offer short- and long-term financial information about the activities the School District operates like businesses, such as food services.

Fiduciary Funds statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the School District acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data.

Figure A-1 shows how the required parts of the Financial Section are arranged and relate to one another.

Figure A-1
Organization of the Upper Merion Area School District Annual Financial Report



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YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Figure A-2 summarizes the major features of the School District's financial statements, including the portion of the School District they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of the MD&A explains the structure and contents of each of the statements.

Figure A-2
Major Features of the Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

	Government-Wide Statements	Fund Financial Statements		
		Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds	Fiduciary Funds
Scope	Entire School District (except Fiduciary Funds)	The activities of the School District that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as education, administration and community services	Activities the School District operates similar to private businesses--food services	Instances in which the School District is the trustee or agent to someone else's resources--Scholarship Funds
Required financial statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statement of net position • Statement of activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balance sheet • Statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statement of net position • Statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position • Statement of cash flows 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statement of fiduciary net position • Statement of changes in fiduciary net position
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial focus	Accrual accounting and economic 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	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year thereafter	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENTS

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

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The two government-wide statements report the School District's net position and how they have changed. Net position, the difference between the School District's assets and liabilities, is one way to measure the School District's financial health or position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the School District's net position are an indication of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the School District, you need to consider additional non-financial factors, such as changes in the School District's property tax base and the performance of the students.

The government-wide financial statements of the School District are divided into two categories:

- **Governmental Activities:** All the School District's basic services are included here, such as instruction, administration and community services. Property taxes and state and federal subsidies and grants finance most of these activities.
- **Business-Type Activities:** The School District operates a food service operation and charges fees to staff, students and visitors to help cover the costs of the food service operation. The School District operates an extended day program and charges fees to students to cover the cost of the extended day program.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The School District's fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds--not the School District as a whole. Some funds are required by state law and by bond requirements.

- **Governmental Funds.** Most of the School District's activities are reported in Governmental Funds, which focus on the determination of financial position and change in financial position, not on income determination. They are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The Governmental Funds statements provide a detailed short-term view of the School District's operations and the services it provides. Governmental Funds information helps the reader determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the School District's programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) and Governmental Funds is reconciled in the financial statements.
- **Proprietary Funds.** These funds are used to account for the School District activities that are similar to business operations in the private sector; or where the reporting is on determining net income, financial position, changes in financial position and a significant portion of funding through user charges. When the School District charges customers for services it provides--whether to outside customers or to other units in the School District--these services are generally reported in Proprietary Funds. The Food Service and Extended Day Funds are the School District's Proprietary Funds and are the same as the business-type activities we report in the government-wide statements but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows.

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- **Fiduciary Funds.** The School District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for some Scholarship Funds. All of the School District's fiduciary activities are reported in separate statements of fiduciary net position. We exclude these activities from the School District's other financial statements because the School District cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Net Position

The following tables reflect the condensed statements of net position for the current and prior periods.

The School District's total net position was \$(82,728,034) at June 30, 2015.

Table A-1
Condensed Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2015

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
ASSETS			
Current and other assets	\$ 34,840,709	\$ 957,713	\$ 35,798,422
Capital assets	74,538,826	83,774	74,622,600
TOTAL ASSETS	109,379,535	1,041,487	110,421,022
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred amount on refunding	316,369	-	316,369
Deferred outflows of resources, pension activity	13,428,000	347,000	13,775,000
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	13,744,369	347,000	14,091,369
LIABILITIES			
Current and other liabilities	139,600,291	3,483,271	143,083,562
Long-term liabilities	54,894,863	-	54,894,863
TOTAL LIABILITIES	194,495,154	3,483,271	197,978,425
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred inflows of resources, pension activity	9,029,000	233,000	9,262,000
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	25,234,380	83,774	25,318,154
Unrestricted	(105,634,630)	(2,411,558)	(108,046,188)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ (80,400,250)	\$ (2,327,784)	\$ (82,728,034)

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The School District's total net position (restated) was \$(84,426,819) at June 30, 2014.

Table A-2
Condensed Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2014

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
ASSETS			
Current and other assets	\$ 30,678,971	\$ 2,128,601	\$ 32,807,572
Capital assets	76,628,404	82,647	76,711,051
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>107,307,375</u>	<u>2,211,248</u>	<u>109,518,623</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred amount on refunding	594,748	-	594,748
Deferred outflows of resources, pension activity	6,313,000	195,000	6,508,000
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>6,907,748</u>	<u>195,000</u>	<u>7,102,748</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current and other liabilities, restated	135,276,610	4,598,814	139,875,424
Long-term liabilities	61,172,766	-	61,172,766
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>196,449,376</u>	<u>4,598,814</u>	<u>201,048,190</u>
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	21,271,195	82,647	21,353,842
Unrestricted	(103,505,448)	(2,275,213)	(105,780,661)
TOTAL NET POSITION, restated	<u>\$ (82,234,253)</u>	<u>\$ (2,192,566)</u>	<u>\$ (84,426,819)</u>

Most of the School District's net position is invested in capital assets (building, land and equipment) or in the form of invested bond proceeds to be used for future capital expenditures.

Statement of Activities

The results of this year's operations as a whole are reported in the statement of activities in the financial statements. The two largest general revenues are the Retirement Subsidy provided by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the local taxes assessed to community taxpayers. Table A-3 takes the information from the statement of activities and rearranges it slightly, so you can see our total revenues for the year. The following tables reflect the revenues and expenses for the current and prior periods.

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Table A-3
Changes in Net Position
Year Ended June 30, 2015

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
REVENUES			
Program revenues			
Charges for services	\$ -	\$ 1,669,585	\$ 1,669,585
Operating grants and contributions	12,947,958	936,941	13,884,899
General revenues			
Property taxes	69,830,030	-	69,830,030
Other taxes	1,956,739	-	1,956,739
Investment earnings	150,721	3,194	153,915
Receipts from member districts	11,050	-	11,050
Other	1,148,610	-	1,148,610
TOTAL REVENUES	86,045,108	2,609,720	88,654,828
EXPENSES			
Instruction			
Regular programs	35,471,975	-	35,471,975
Special programs	10,903,586	-	10,903,586
Vocational programs	2,343,867	-	2,343,867
Other instructional programs	68,767	-	68,767
Support services			
Pupil personnel services	4,299,865	-	4,299,865
Instructional staff services	2,194,604	-	2,194,604
Administration services	4,401,850	-	4,401,850
Pupil health	1,318,367	-	1,318,367
Business services	942,887	-	942,887
Operation and maintenance of plant services	8,083,170	-	8,083,170
Student transportation services	4,739,767	-	4,739,767
Central services	1,415,920	-	1,415,920
Other support services	328,531	-	328,531
Non-instructional services			
Student activities	1,722,598	-	1,722,598
Community services	158,485	-	158,485
Refund of prior year revenues	70,463	-	70,463
Interest on long-term debt	2,033,377	-	2,033,377
Depreciation and amortization, unallocated	3,713,026	-	3,713,026
Food service	-	1,755,787	1,755,787
Extended day	-	989,151	989,151
TOTAL EXPENSES	84,211,105	2,744,938	86,956,043
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	1,834,003	(135,218)	1,698,785
NET POSITION, BEGINNING, restated	(82,234,253)	(2,192,566)	(84,426,819)
NET POSITION, ENDING	\$ (80,400,250)	\$ (2,327,784)	\$ (82,728,034)

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited)
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Table A-4
Changes in Net Position
Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
REVENUES			
Program revenues			
Charges for services	\$ -	\$ 1,674,979	\$ 1,674,979
Operating grants and contributions	12,220,202	825,445	13,045,647
General revenues			
Property taxes	67,325,460	-	67,325,460
Other taxes	2,391,757	-	2,391,757
Investment earnings	155,831	6,293	162,124
Other	1,150,973	-	1,150,973
TOTAL REVENUES	83,244,223	2,506,717	85,750,940
EXPENSES			
Instruction			
Regular programs	30,772,123	-	30,772,123
Special programs	10,145,611	-	10,145,611
Vocational programs	2,068,955	-	2,068,955
Other instructional programs	568,859	-	568,859
Support services			
Pupil personnel services	3,539,495	-	3,539,495
Instructional staff services	2,167,638	-	2,167,638
Administration services	4,183,467	-	4,183,467
Pupil health	1,094,047	-	1,094,047
Business services	812,012	-	812,012
Operation and maintenance of plant services	6,795,140	-	6,795,140
Student transportation services	4,385,718	-	4,385,718
Central services	1,169,598	-	1,169,598
Other support services	61,892	-	61,892
Non-instructional services			
Student activities	1,503,878	-	1,503,878
Community services	34,240	-	34,240
Refund on prior year revenues	25,734	-	25,734
Interest on long-term debt	2,393,731	-	2,393,731
Depreciation and amortization, unallocated	4,036,659	-	4,036,659
Food service	-	1,595,860	1,595,860
Extended day	-	875,361	875,361
TOTAL EXPENSES	75,758,797	2,471,221	78,230,018
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	7,485,426	35,496	7,520,922
NET POSITION, BEGINNING	27,960,321	813,938	28,774,259
Restatement	(117,680,000)	(3,042,000)	(120,722,000)
NET POSITION, ENDING	\$ (82,234,253)	\$ (2,192,566)	\$ (84,426,819)

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Analysis of these tables indicates that the total net position for governmental activities increased by \$1,834,003. Revenues exceeded expenditures by this amount mainly due to increased real estate transfer tax, reduced debt service expenditures due to an advanced refunding and a decrease in salaries and benefits due to employee turnover.

Business-type activities show a \$135,218 decrease in total net position. Expenditures exceeded revenues by this amount mainly due to increases in salaries and benefits.

Capital Assets - At June 30, 2015, the School District had \$74,538,826 invested in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings and furniture and equipment.

Table A-5
Government-Wide Activities
Capital Assets - Net of Depreciation

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Land	\$ 3,778,132	\$ 3,778,132
Buildings and site improvements	64,848,843	67,189,534
Furniture and equipment	<u>5,911,851</u>	<u>5,660,738</u>
 TOTAL	 <u>\$ 74,538,826</u>	 <u>\$ 76,628,404</u>

Debt Administration - As of July 1, 2014, the School District had total outstanding bond principal of \$54,205,000. During the year, the School District made net payments against principal of \$5,455,000, resulting in ending outstanding debt as of June 30, 2015, of \$48,750,000.

Table A-6
Outstanding Debt

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS		
Series of 2004	\$ 2,140,000	\$ 3,130,000
Series of 2004B	1,910,000	2,905,000
Series of 2005	6,755,000	8,800,000
Series of 2011	9,645,000	9,815,000
Series of 2012	9,485,000	9,675,000
Series of 2013	9,005,000	9,885,000
Series of 2014	<u>9,810,000</u>	<u>9,995,000</u>
 TOTAL	 <u>\$ 48,750,000</u>	 <u>\$ 54,205,000</u>

Other obligations include compensated absences (accrued vacation pay and sick leave for specific employees of the School District) and capital leases. More detailed information about our long-term liabilities is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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FOR THE FUTURE

As the preceding information shows, the School District maintains a healthy investment in fixed assets to support and provide comprehensive educational services, considers future implications of current and ongoing financial obligations and prudently manages its financial assets. Academic performance is supported by regionally competitive per pupil spending. Balanced payment schedules on existing debt obligations should mean steady tax implications in the future.

Financial challenges face many school districts in the state of Pennsylvania and Upper Merion Area School District is not alone in this regard. With the passage of Act 1 of 2006, school districts are faced with a cap on the money that can be funded from a property tax increase. The cap is an inflationary index annually calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE). Act 1 does provide for some exceptions that permit districts to increase property taxes in excess of the cap. Exceptions are approved by the PDE. Limited tax relief arrived starting in the 2008-2009 fiscal year as the state distributed a portion of gambling revenue to offset real estate tax increases. The School District was fortunate to receive \$611,404 in the 2014-2015 fiscal year that offset property taxes for those property owners who qualified for the homestead exemption.

The 2014-2015 school year was a particularly strong year financially for the Upper Merion Area School District. The District was able to make a \$3,500,000 transfer to the Capital Reserve Fund, the fourth consecutive year with a transfer of at least \$1,500,000. In addition, the District assigned \$8,000,000 of fund balance for retirement stabilization (\$5,500,000), tax assessment appeal refunds (\$1,000,000), future technology purchases (\$500,000), and food service stabilization (\$1,000,000). Finally, the unassigned fund balance decreased slightly from \$6,738,669 to \$6,616,983.

Upper Merion Area School District faces the common problem of escalating costs for employee benefits, particularly the medical benefit cost and the retirement expense of the PSERS system. Each of these costs is established by outside influences and is not, in large part, a discretionary cost that can be controlled by the School District.

Upper Merion Area School District has committed itself to educational and financial excellence. The District's system of budgeting and internal controls is well regarded and consistently followed. Continued diligence in all financial matters will be a key component of continued successful financial performance well into the future.

CONTACTING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The financial report is designed to provide the citizens, taxpayers, parents, students, investors and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or wish to request additional financial information, please contact Michael Keeley, Business Administrator, Upper Merion Area School District, 435 Crossfield Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406-2363, 610-205-6400, mkeeley@umasd.org or visit the School District's website at www.umasd.org.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2015

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 14,457,895	\$ 876,411	\$ 15,334,306
Investments	16,809,937	-	16,809,937
Receivables, net	1,507,458	3,905	1,511,363
Due from other governments	2,061,581	29,221	2,090,802
Internal balances	3,838	(3,838)	-
Inventories	-	48,176	48,176
Capital assets			
Land	3,778,132	-	3,778,132
Buildings and site improvements	99,736,889	-	99,736,889
Furniture and equipment	23,232,100	357,269	23,589,369
Accumulated depreciation	(52,208,295)	(273,495)	(52,481,790)
TOTAL ASSETS	109,379,535	1,037,649	110,417,184
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred amount on refunding	316,369	-	316,369
Deferred outflows of resources, pension activity	13,428,000	177,631	13,605,631
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	13,744,369	177,631	13,922,000
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	5,288,459	12,855	5,301,314
Accrued salaries and benefits	7,533,323	38,458	7,571,781
Accrued interest	572,509	-	572,509
Unearned revenue	-	165,120	165,120
Long-term liabilities			
Portion due or payable within one year			
Advance on refunding	53,305	-	53,305
Bonds payable	6,605,000	-	6,605,000
Bond premiums and discounts, net	124,836	-	124,836
Compensated absences	441,716	-	441,716
Portion due or payable after one year			
Advance on refunding	35,533	-	35,533
Bonds payable	42,145,000	-	42,145,000
Bond premiums and discounts, net	340,772	-	340,772
Early retirement	180,000	-	180,000
Compensated absences	3,975,445	-	3,975,445
Net pension liability	126,206,000	1,670,345	127,876,345
Net OPEB obligation	993,256	-	993,256
TOTAL LIABILITIES	194,495,154	1,886,778	196,381,932
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred inflows of resources, pension activity	9,029,000	119,274	9,148,274
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	25,234,380	83,774	25,318,154
Unrestricted	(105,634,630)	(2,411,558)	(108,046,188)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ (80,400,250)	\$ (2,327,784)	\$ (82,728,034)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES				
Instruction				
Regular programs	\$ 35,471,975	\$ -	\$ 4,466,778	\$ -
Special programs	10,903,586	-	2,716,698	-
Vocational programs	2,343,867	-	159,829	-
Other instructional programs	68,767	-	2,372,006	-
Support services				
Pupil personnel services	4,299,865	-	391,705	-
Instructional staff services	2,194,604	-	164,666	-
Administration services	4,401,850	-	298,038	-
Pupil health	1,318,367	-	98,151	-
Business services	942,887	-	66,976	-
Operation and maintenance of plant services	8,083,170	-	455,057	-
Student transportation services	4,739,767	-	1,178,672	-
Central services	1,415,920	-	75,002	-
Other support services	328,531	-	-	-
Non-instructional services				
Student activities	1,722,598	-	142,881	-
Community services	158,485	-	-	-
Refund of prior year revenues	70,463	-	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	2,033,377	-	361,500	-
Depreciation and amortization, unallocated	3,713,026	-	-	-
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	84,211,105	-	12,947,960	-
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES				
Food service	1,755,787	723,021	850,508	-
Extended day	989,151	946,564	86,433	-
TOTAL BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	2,744,938	1,669,585	936,941	-
TOTAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ACTIVITIES	\$ 86,956,043	\$ 1,669,585	\$ 13,884,901	\$ -

GENERAL REVENUES

Property taxes, levied for general purposes
Occupational, real estate transfer and amusement taxes
Public utility taxes
Investment earnings
Receipts from member districts
Miscellaneous

SPECIAL ITEM, loss on disposition of capital assets

**TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS
AND SPECIAL ITEM**

CHANGE IN NET POSITION

NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR, restated

NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Totals
\$ (31,005,197)	\$ -	\$ (31,005,197)
(8,186,888)	-	(8,186,888)
(2,184,037)	-	(2,184,037)
2,303,239	-	2,303,239
(3,908,160)	-	(3,908,160)
(2,029,938)	-	(2,029,938)
(4,103,812)	-	(4,103,812)
(1,220,216)	-	(1,220,216)
(875,911)	-	(875,911)
(7,628,113)	-	(7,628,113)
(3,561,095)	-	(3,561,095)
(1,340,918)	-	(1,340,918)
(328,531)	-	(328,531)
(1,579,717)	-	(1,579,717)
(158,485)	-	(158,485)
(70,463)	-	(70,463)
(1,671,877)	-	(1,671,877)
(3,713,026)	-	(3,713,026)
(71,263,145)	-	(71,263,145)
-	(182,258)	(182,258)
-	43,846	43,846
-	(138,412)	(138,412)
(71,263,145)	(138,412)	(71,401,557)
69,830,030	-	69,830,030
1,870,412	-	1,870,412
86,327	-	86,327
150,721	3,194	153,915
11,050	-	11,050
1,300,096	-	1,300,096
(151,488)	-	(151,488)
73,097,148	3,194	73,100,342
1,834,003	(135,218)	1,698,785
(82,234,253)	(2,192,566)	(84,426,819)
\$ (80,400,250)	\$ (2,327,784)	\$ (82,728,034)

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**BALANCE SHEET****GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS****JUNE 30, 2015**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Capital Reserve Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,591,397	\$ 3,866,498	\$ 14,457,895
Investments	16,809,937	-	16,809,937
Taxes receivable, net	932,193	-	932,193
Other receivables	575,265	-	575,265
Due from other governments	2,061,581	-	2,061,581
Due from other funds	<u>3,838</u>	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>3,003,838</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ <u>30,974,211</u>	\$ <u>6,866,498</u>	\$ <u>37,840,709</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES			
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 5,079,809	\$ 208,650	\$ 5,288,459
Accrued salaries and benefits	7,533,323	-	7,533,323
Due to other funds	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,000,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>15,613,132</u>	<u>208,650</u>	<u>15,821,782</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable revenues, property taxes	<u>744,096</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>744,096</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Assigned to			
Tax assessment appeal settlement refunds	1,000,000	-	1,000,000
Retirement stabilization	5,500,000	-	5,500,000
Food service stabilization	1,000,000	-	1,000,000
Technology purchases	500,000	-	500,000
Capital projects	-	6,657,848	6,657,848
Unassigned	<u>6,616,983</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,616,983</u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>14,616,983</u>	<u>6,657,848</u>	<u>21,274,831</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ <u>30,974,211</u>	\$ <u>6,866,498</u>	\$ <u>37,840,709</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCES
TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
JUNE 30, 2015

TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCES	\$ 21,274,831
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. These assets consist	
Land	3,778,132
Buildings and site improvements	99,736,889
Furniture and equipment	23,232,100
Accumulated depreciation	(52,208,295)
Deferred amount on refunding	316,369
Deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to pension activities are not financial resources and therefore not reported in the governmental funds	4,399,000
Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds. Those liabilities consist of:	
Accrued interest	(572,509)
Advance on refunding	(88,838)
Bonds payable	(48,750,000)
Bond premiums and discounts	(465,608)
Early retirement	(180,000)
Compensated absences	(4,417,161)
Net pension liability	(126,206,000)
Net OPEB obligation	(993,256)
Some of the School District's revenues will be collected after year-end but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.	<u>744,096</u>
NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ <u><u>(80,400,250)</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	General Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Local sources	\$ 73,813,513	\$ 12,114	\$ 73,825,627
State sources	11,280,263	-	11,280,263
Federal sources	1,271,050	-	1,271,050
TOTAL REVENUES	86,364,826	12,114	86,376,940
EXPENDITURES			
Instruction			
Regular programs	33,688,824	-	33,688,824
Special programs	10,314,560	-	10,314,560
Vocational programs	2,300,755	-	2,300,755
Other instructional programs	63,877	-	63,877
Support services			
Pupil personnel services	4,018,285	-	4,018,285
Instructional staff services	2,076,233	-	2,076,233
Administration services	4,184,843	-	4,184,843
Pupil health	1,250,570	-	1,250,570
Business services	894,741	-	894,741
Operation and maintenance of plant services	7,290,881	-	7,290,881
Student transportation services	4,474,732	-	4,474,732
Central services	1,362,006	-	1,362,006
Other support services	328,531	-	328,531
Non-instructional services			
Student activities	1,619,886	-	1,619,886
Community services	158,485	-	158,485
Refund of prior year revenues	502,350	-	502,350
Capital outlay	9,618	2,232,360	2,241,978
Debt service	7,457,460	-	7,457,460
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	81,996,637	2,232,360	84,228,997
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES FORWARD	\$ 4,368,189	\$ (2,220,246)	\$ 2,147,943

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Capital Reserve Fund</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES FORWARDED	\$ <u>4,368,189</u>	\$ <u>(2,220,246)</u>	\$ <u>2,147,943</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	10,125	-	10,125
Transfers in	-	3,500,000	3,500,000
Transfers out	<u>(3,500,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,500,000)</u>
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>(3,489,875)</u>	<u>3,500,000</u>	<u>10,125</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	878,314	1,279,754	2,158,068
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>13,738,669</u>	<u>5,378,094</u>	<u>19,116,763</u>
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	\$ <u><u>14,616,983</u></u>	\$ <u><u>6,657,848</u></u>	\$ <u><u>21,274,831</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	\$ 2,158,068
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Capital outlays are reported in Governmental Funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeds capital outlays in the current period.	(1,927,965)
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The net effect of various transactions involving capital assets (i.e., losses on dispositions) is to decrease net assets.	(161,613)
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Because some property taxes will not be collected for several months after the School District's fiscal year ends, they are not considered as "available" revenues in the Governmental Funds. Deferred tax revenues increased by this amount this year.	(180,344)
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Repayment of bond and capital lease principal is an expenditure in the Governmental Funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.	5,874,622
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Governmental Funds report premiums, discounts and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. This amount is the net effect of the differences in the treatment of these items.	(100,238)
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In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses--compensated absences (vacation and sick leave) and special termination benefits (early retirement)--are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the Governmental Funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid).	427,084
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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 the 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.	73,333
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Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in Governmental Funds: Pension plan expense	(4,127,000)
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The net change in the liability for the net OPEB obligation is reported in the government-wide statements but not in the Governmental Funds statements.	<u>(201,944)</u>
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CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	<u>\$ 1,834,003</u>
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See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2015

	Enterprise Funds		Total
	Food Service Fund	Extended Day Fund	Proprietary Funds
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 60,993	\$ 815,418	\$ 876,411
Receivables	3,905	-	3,905
Due from other governments	29,221	-	29,221
Inventories	48,176	-	48,176
Due from other funds	1,169	-	1,169
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	143,464	815,418	958,882
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	357,269	-	357,269
Accumulated depreciation	(273,495)	-	(273,495)
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, net	83,774	-	83,774
TOTAL ASSETS	227,238	815,418	1,042,656
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred outflows of resources, pension activity	177,631	169,369	347,000
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	11,090	1,765	12,855
Accrued payroll	11,569	26,889	38,458
Due to other funds	-	5,007	5,007
Unearned revenue	33,723	131,397	165,120
Long-term liabilities			
Net pension liability	1,670,345	1,592,655	3,263,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,726,727	1,757,713	3,484,440
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred inflows of resources, pension activity	119,274	113,726	233,000
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	83,774	-	83,774
Unrestricted	(1,524,906)	(886,652)	(2,411,558)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ (1,441,132)	\$ (886,652)	\$ (2,327,784)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICTSTATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND
CHANGES IN NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Enterprise Funds		Total Proprietary Funds
	Food Service Fund	Extended Day Fund	
OPERATING REVENUES			
Food service revenues	\$ 723,021	\$ -	\$ 723,021
Tuition revenues	-	946,564	946,564
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	723,021	946,564	1,669,585
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Salaries	555,154	531,135	1,086,289
Employee benefits	521,348	250,827	772,175
Other expenses	5,975	154,256	160,231
Supplies	655,538	52,933	708,471
Depreciation	17,772	-	17,772
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,755,787	989,151	2,744,938
OPERATING LOSS	(1,032,766)	(42,587)	(1,075,353)
NONOPERATING REVENUES			
Earnings on investments	742	2,452	3,194
State sources	115,201	86,433	201,634
Federal sources	735,307	-	735,307
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES	851,250	88,885	940,135
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(181,516)	46,298	(135,218)
NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR, restated	(1,259,616)	(932,950)	(2,192,566)
NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR	\$ (1,441,132)	\$ (886,652)	\$ (2,327,784)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS****PROPRIETARY FUNDS****YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	Enterprise Funds		Total
	Food Service Fund	Extended Day Fund	Proprietary Funds
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash received from customers	\$ 732,080	\$ 946,564	\$ 1,678,644
Payments to employees	(1,021,728)	(1,280,532)	(2,302,260)
Payments to suppliers	(1,304,130)	(169,690)	(1,473,820)
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(1,593,778)	(503,658)	(2,097,436)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Facility acquisition, construction and improvements	(18,899)	-	(18,899)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
State sources	115,761	88,644	204,405
Federal sources	731,477	-	731,477
NET CASH PROVIDED BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	847,238	88,644	935,882
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Earnings on investments	742	2,452	3,194
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(764,697)	(412,562)	(1,177,259)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	825,690	1,227,980	2,053,670
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 60,993	\$ 815,418	\$ 876,411

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS****PROPRIETARY FUNDS****YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	<u>Enterprise Funds</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Food</u>	<u>Extended</u>	<u>Proprietary</u>
	<u>Service Fund</u>	<u>Day Fund</u>	<u>Funds</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO			
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING			
ACTIVITIES			
Operating loss	\$ (1,032,766)	\$ (42,587)	\$ (1,075,353)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to			
net cash used by operating activities			
Depreciation	17,772	-	17,772
Pension expense	54,774	52,226	107,000
(Increase) decrease in			
Receivables	4,787	-	4,787
Inventories	(10,099)	-	(10,099)
Increase (decrease) in			
Accounts payable	1,033	613	1,646
Accrued payroll	411	2,257	2,668
Due from other funds	(1,169)	-	(1,169)
Due to other funds	(632,793)	(553,666)	(1,186,459)
Unearned revenue	4,272	37,499	41,771
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING			
ACTIVITIES	<u>\$ (1,593,778)</u>	<u>\$ (503,658)</u>	<u>\$ (2,097,436)</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES			
Noncash activities			
Donated foods	\$ 101,684	\$ -	\$ 101,684

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2015

	Private- Purpose Trust Fund	Agency Funds
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ <u>187,240</u>	\$ <u>498,847</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION		
LIABILITIES		
Other current liabilities	\$ -	\$ 498,847
NET POSITION		
Held in trust for scholarships	<u>187,240</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	\$ <u>187,240</u>	\$ <u>498,847</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>Private- Purpose Trust Fund</u>
ADDITIONS	
Donations	\$ 8,421
Investment income	<u>477</u>
TOTAL ADDITIONS	8,898
DEDUCTIONS	
Scholarships	<u>27,651</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(18,753)
NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>205,993</u>
NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 187,240</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basic financial statements of the Upper Merion Area School District (the "School District") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The School District also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) statements and interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, to its governmental and business-type activities and to its Proprietary Funds provided they do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant of the School District's accounting policies are described below.

Reporting Entity

Upper Merion Area School District is located in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania. The School District's tax base includes portions of Montgomery County and consists of the following townships and boroughs: Upper Merion Township and the Boroughs of Bridgeport and West Conshohocken.

The School District is a unit established, organized and empowered by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the express purpose of carrying out on the local level the Commonwealth's obligation to public education, as established by the constitution of the Commonwealth and by the School Law Code of the same (Article II; Act 150, July 8, 1968).

The School District is governed by a board of nine school directors who are residents of the School District and who are elected every two years, on a staggered basis, for a four-year term.

The Board of School Directors has the power and duty to establish, equip, furnish and maintain a sufficient number of elementary, secondary and other schools necessary to educate eligible students between the ages of 5 and 21 years residing in such School District who may attend.

In order to establish, enlarge, equip, furnish, operate and maintain any schools, or to pay any school indebtedness which the School District is required to pay, the Board of School Directors is vested with all necessary authority and power annually to levy and collect the taxes required and granted by the legislature, in addition to the annual state appropriation, and is vested with all necessary power and authority to comply with and carry out any or all of the provisions of the Public School Code of 1949 as amended.

The accompanying basic financial statements comply with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus*, in that the financial statements include all organizations, activities and functions for which the School District is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as the appointment of a voting majority of a component unit's board and either (1) the School District's ability to impose its will over a component unit, or (2) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit or impose a financial burden on the School District.

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In addition, component units can be other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the School District are such that exclusion would cause the School District's financial statements to be misleading. This report presents the activities of the Upper Merion Area School District. The School District is not a component unit of another reporting entity nor does it have any component units.

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The tax collectors are elected officers who collect taxes on behalf of the municipalities in the School District and for the School District in the county. The School District regards the tax collectors' offices as separate entities and, therefore, does not account for their activity in the financial statements.

Basis of Presentation and Accounting

Government-Wide Financial Statements - The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for Fiduciary Funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the School District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities.

The government-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This is the same approach used in the preparation of the Proprietary Funds financial statements but differs from the manner in which Governmental Funds financial statements are prepared. Governmental Funds financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for Governmental Funds. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each segment of the business-type activities of the School District and for each function or program of the School District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program, or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function.

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Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues, which are not classified as program revenues, are presented as general revenues of the School District, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the School District. Expenses reported for functional activities include allocated indirect expenses.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

Fund Financial Statements - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the School District. The focus of Governmental and Proprietary Funds financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Fiduciary Funds are reported by fund type.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All Governmental Funds are accounted for 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 School District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due. The financial statements for Governmental Funds are a balance sheet, which generally includes only current assets and current liabilities, and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances, which reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources.

All Proprietary Fund Types are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the statement of net position. The statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in net position. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the School District finances and meets the cash flow needs of its proprietary activities.

Proprietary Funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *nonoperating* 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.

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The principal operating revenues of the School District's Enterprise Funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for Enterprise Funds include cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

Trust Funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the School District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Fund Accounting

The School District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain School District functions or activities. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The various funds of the School District are grouped into the categories governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds

General Fund - The General Fund is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Pennsylvania.

Capital Project Funds - Capital Project Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition and construction of capital equipment and improvements in accordance with the applicable general obligation bond agreements. The School District's *Capital Reserve Fund* and *R.A.C.P. Grant Fund* are accounted for in this fund type.

Proprietary Funds

Food Service and Extended Day Funds - The Food Service and Extended Day Funds are used to account for operations (1) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises--where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or (2) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

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Fiduciary Funds

Trust and Agency Funds - Trust and Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the School District in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

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

Investments

Investments are valued at fair value.

Short-Term Interfund Receivables/Payables

During the course of operations, transactions may occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" on the Governmental Funds balance sheet. Short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." These amounts are eliminated in the statement of net position, except for amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which, when present, are shown as internal balances.

Inventories and Prepaid Items

Inventory of food and milk in the Food Service Fund consists of supplies purchased and donated food received from the federal government. The donated food is valued at fair market value in accordance with the *Manual of Accounting for Pennsylvania School Systems - Food Service Fund*. Food and supplies are carried at cost using the first-in, first-out method. Inventories of Governmental Funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and construction in progress, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. The School District defines a capital asset as an asset with an initial, individual cost equal to or greater than \$500 or purchased with debt proceeds and must also have an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Property, plant and equipment of the School District are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Site improvements	15-20
Buildings and building improvements	20-40
Furniture and equipment	5-20

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements and Proprietary Fund Types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or Proprietary Fund Type statement of net position. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are recognized during the period in which they were incurred.

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

Compensated Absences

Unused vacation amounts may be carried forward for one fiscal year only, except for bus drivers and custodians who may carry vacation forward for 1 1/2 years. Employees are paid for unused vacation only upon termination at their standard per diem rates in effect at the date of their departure. Sick leave is granted as appropriate (medical evidence required) with budgetary provisions being made annually for the estimated costs of substitute personnel. Contractual provisions with employees require payment at the employees' per diem rate (at retirement) for accumulated unused sick leave days upon retirement up to a maximum of 30 days. Teachers and administrators are eligible for an additional 15 days if certain notice requirements are met.

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School District has only two items that qualify for reporting in this category. They are the deferred charge on refunding reported in the government-wide statement of net position and the deferred outflow related to pension activity, reported in the government-wide statement of net position and the proprietary fund statement of net position. A deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition prices. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. The deferred outflow related to pension activity is the result of changes in the School District's proportionate share of the total plan from year to year, the difference between actual employer contributions and the School District's proportionate share of total contributions, and actual contributions subsequent to the measurement date.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The School District has two items that qualify for reporting in this category. The first item, unavailable revenue, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from property taxes. The second item, deferred inflows related to pension activity, are reported in the government-wide statement of net position and the proprietary fund statement of net position. The deferred inflow related to pension activity is the result of differences between projected and actual investment earnings. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available.

Net Position Flow Assumption

Sometimes the School District will fund outlays for a particular purpose for both restricted (e.g., restricted bond or grant proceeds) and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted net position and unrestricted net position in the government-wide and Proprietary Fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the School District's policy to consider restricted net position to have been depleted before unrestricted net position is applied.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fund Balance

The School District has adopted GASB Statement No. 54, which redefined how fund balances of the Governmental Funds are presented in the financial statements. Fund balances are classified as follows:

- ***Nonspendable*** - Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are not in a spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- ***Restricted*** - Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of state or federal laws or externally imposed conditions by grantors or creditors.
- ***Committed*** - Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action by the Board of School Directors. This includes the budget reserve account.
- ***Assigned*** - Amounts that are intended to be used for a specific purpose, as expressed by the Board of School Directors or by an official or body to which the Board of School Directors delegates the authority.
- ***Unassigned*** - All amounts not included in other spendable classifications.

The details of the fund balances are included in the Governmental Funds balance sheet (page 18). Restricted funds are used first as appropriate, followed by committed resources and then assigned resources, to the extent that expenditure authority has been budgeted by the Board of School Directors. The School District does reserve the right to first reduce unassigned fund balance to defer the use of these other classified funds. In the event that unassigned fund balance becomes zero, then assigned and committed fund balances are used in that order.

NOTE B - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned to it. Deposits are insured under Act 72 of the 1971 Session of the Pennsylvania General Assembly whereby financial institutions were granted the authority to secure deposits of public bodies by pledging a pool of assets, as defined in the Act, to cover all public funds deposited in excess of FDIC limits. The School District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. The carrying value of the District's cash accounts at June 30, 2015, was \$16,020,393.

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NOTE B - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

As of June 30, 2015, \$15,624,325 of the School District's bank balance of \$16,374,325 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and collateralized with securities held by
the pledging bank's trust department not in the
School District's name \$ 15,624,325

Interest Rate Risk - The School District's investment policy limits investment maturities in accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania School Code as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Investments

As of June 30, 2015, the School District had the following investments and maturities:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Maturities</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Certificates of deposit	\$ 16,140,627	\$ 16,140,627
State investment pools	<u>669,310</u>	<u>669,310</u>
	<u>\$ 16,809,937</u>	<u>\$ 16,809,937</u>

Credit Risk - State law permits the School District to invest funds in the following types of investments:

Obligations of (1) the United States of America or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America, (2) the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the Commonwealth, or (3) any political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the political subdivision.

The School District's investment policy does not further limit its investment choices. As of June 30, 2015, the School District's investment in the state investment pool was rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's.

Concentration of Credit Risk - The following investments represent greater than 5% of the School District's total investments:

Certificates of deposit with Valley Green Bank and PLGIT \$ 16,140,627

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NOTE C - TAXES - REAL ESTATE AND OTHER

The School Board is authorized by state law to levy property taxes for School District operations, capital improvements and debt service. Property taxes are based on assessed valuations of real property within the School District.

Taxes are levied on July 1 and payable in the following periods:

Discount period July 1 to August 31 - 2% of gross levy
Face period September 1 to October 31
Penalty period November 1 to collection - 10% of gross levy
Lien date January 15

School District taxes are billed and collected by the local elected tax collector. Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property as of July 1.

In addition, the School District participates in a \$52 Local Services Tax levied by the Township.

NOTE D - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable at June 30, 2015, consisted of taxes and other revenue. All receivables are considered fully collectible due to the ability to lien property for the nonpayment of taxes, the stable condition of state programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds.

A summary of accounts receivable by fund is as follows:

	General Fund	Food Service Fund
Real estate taxes	\$ 932,193	\$ -
Other revenue	575,265	3,905
	<u>\$ 1,507,458</u>	<u>\$ 3,905</u>

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NOTE E - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS

The composition of interfund balances as of June 30, 2015, is as follows:

Due to/from Other Funds

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Extended Day Fund	\$ 5,007
Capital Reserve Fund	General Fund	3,000,000
Food Service Fund	General Fund	<u>1,169</u>
		<u>\$ 3,006,176</u>

The outstanding balances between funds result mainly from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system and (3) payments between funds are made.

Interfund Transfers

Transfers are used to move unrestricted revenues to finance various programs that the School District must account for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations, including amounts provided as subsidies or matching funds for various grant programs.

<u>Transfer In</u>	<u>Transfer Out</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Capital Reserve Fund	General Fund	\$ <u>3,500,000</u>

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NOTE F - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets is as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2014	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2015
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES				
Capital assets not being depreciated				
Land	\$ 3,778,132	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,778,132
Capital assets being depreciated				
Buildings and site improvements	99,703,427	33,462	-	99,736,889
Furniture and equipment	23,106,594	1,743,346	(1,617,840)	23,232,100
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS BEING DEPRECIATED	122,810,021	1,776,808	(1,617,840)	122,968,989
Accumulated depreciation	(49,959,749)	(3,704,773)	1,456,227	(52,208,295)
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS BEING DEPRECIATED, net	72,850,272	(1,927,965)	(161,613)	70,760,694
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES CAPITAL ASSETS, net	76,628,404	(1,927,965)	(161,613)	74,538,826
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES				
Capital assets being depreciated				
Furniture and equipment	338,370	18,899	-	357,269
Accumulated depreciation	(255,723)	(17,772)	-	(273,495)
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES CAPITAL ASSETS, net	82,647	1,127	-	83,774
CAPITAL ASSETS, net	\$ 76,711,051	\$ (1,926,838)	\$ (161,613)	\$ 74,622,600

NOTE G - LEASES

Capital Leases

The School District has entered into lease agreements, as lessee, for financing the acquisition of computer and other equipment. These lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as of the inception date.

The assets acquired through capital leases are as follows:

Building improvements	\$ 2,130,331
Equipment	1,921,315
	<u>4,051,646</u>
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(3,571,317)</u>
	<u>\$ 480,329</u>

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NOTE H - LONG-TERM DEBT

General Obligation Bonds

Bonded debt payable at June 30, 2015, is comprised of the following individual issues:

General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2004, \$10,580,000 due in annual principal installments ranging from \$575,000 to \$1,100,000 through March 1, 2017, interest rate is fixed at 5.35%	\$ 2,140,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2004B, \$20,640,000 due in annual principal installments ranging from \$5,000 to \$1,550,000 through February 15, 2025, interest rate is variable from 1.85% to 4.75%	1,910,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2005, \$24,565,000 due in annual principal installments ranging from \$1,255,000 to \$2,365,000 through July 15, 2017, interest rate is variable from 2.05% to 5.00%	6,755,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2011, \$9,995,000 due in annual principal installments ranging from \$5,000 to \$4,335,000 through February 15, 2021, interest rate is variable from 0.60% to 3.25%	9,645,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2012, \$9,995,000 due in annual principal installments ranging from \$130,000 to \$1,525,000 through February 15, 2024, interest rate is variable from 0.62% to 2.30%	9,485,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2013, \$9,995,000 due in annual principal installments ranging from \$65,000 to \$1,990,000 through February 15, 2025, interest rate is variable from 0.630% to 2.45%	9,005,000
General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2014, \$9,995,000 due in annual principal installments ranging from \$185,000 to \$1,440,000 through February 15, 2023, interest rate is variable from 0.230% to 4.00%	9,810,000
	<u>\$ 48,750,000</u>

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NOTE H - LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)

Annual debt service requirements to maturity are as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2016	\$ 6,605,000	\$ 1,385,824
2017	6,515,000	1,114,629
2018	7,065,000	888,403
2019	6,950,000	731,099
2020	7,145,000	531,099
2021 to 2025	14,470,000	918,790
	<u>\$ 48,750,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,569,844</u>

NOTE I - CHANGES IN LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2015, was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS					
Series of 2004	\$ 3,130,000	\$ -	\$ (990,000)	\$ 2,140,000	\$ 1,040,000
Series of 2004B	2,905,000	-	(995,000)	1,910,000	1,030,000
Series of 2005	8,800,000	-	(2,045,000)	6,755,000	2,140,000
Series of 2011	9,815,000	-	(170,000)	9,645,000	165,000
Series of 2012	9,675,000	-	(190,000)	9,485,000	195,000
Series of 2013	9,885,000	-	(880,000)	9,005,000	885,000
Series of 2014	9,995,000	-	(185,000)	9,810,000	1,150,000
TOTAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	54,205,000	-	(5,455,000)	48,750,000	6,605,000
ADVANCE ON REFUNDING	142,143	-	(53,305)	88,838	53,305
CAPITAL LEASES	419,622	-	(419,622)	-	-
BOND PREMIUMS AND DISCOUNTS, net	590,444	-	(124,836)	465,608	124,836
EARLY RETIREMENT	525,500	-	(345,500)	180,000	-
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	4,498,745	768,664	(850,248)	4,417,161	441,716
NET PENSION LIABILITY	123,890,000	18,211,000	(12,632,000)	129,469,000	-
NET OPEB OBLIGATION	791,312	397,653	(195,709)	993,256	-
TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 185,062,766</u>	<u>\$ 19,377,317</u>	<u>\$ (20,076,220)</u>	<u>\$ 184,363,863</u>	<u>\$ 7,224,857</u>

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NOTE J - DEFEASED DEBT

In prior years, certain bonds were defeased in substance by placing an amount in irrevocable trusts to provide for all future debt service payments on the refunded bonds. Accordingly, the trust account assets and the liability for the in-substance defeased bonds are not included in the School District's financial statements.

As of June 30, 2015, the School District has defeased debt outstanding of \$24,105,000.

NOTE K - UNEARNED REVENUE

Food Service Fund

Unearned revenue of \$22,362 in the Food Service Fund represents the carryover of student deposits. Unearned revenue of \$11,361 represents unearned donated foods revenue.

Extended Day Fund

Unearned revenue of \$131,397 represents deposits received for July and August summer camp programs and student deposits for the fall extended day programs.

NOTE L - JOINT VENTURE

The School District participates in an ongoing joint venture with other school districts in funding the operation of the Central Montgomery County Area Vocational-Technical School (the "Technical School"). The Technical School provides vocational education for all the participating schools. The School District has an accumulated interest in the Technical School that is reserved for building improvements and educational projects. The School District's proportionate share of the accumulated interest in the Technical School's operating fund balance is not material and is not included in the General Fund of these financial statements.

The financial statements of the Technical School are audited according to state guidelines and are available to the public for inspection at the Technical School.

The School District agreed to make additional payments to the Technical School for various improvements, renovations, modernizations and new equipment. The following is a schedule by years of future minimum payments under the contract:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	
2016	\$ 547,286
2017	549,562
2018	548,126
2019	547,514
2020 and thereafter	<u>2,741,804</u>
	<u>\$ 4,934,292</u>

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
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NOTE M - PENSION PLAN

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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 Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS) and additions to/deductions from PSERS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by PSERS. 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.

General Information About the Pension Plan

Plan Description - PSERS is a governmental cost-sharing multi-employer defined benefit pension plan that provides retirement benefits to public school employees of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The members eligible to participate in the System include all full-time public school employees, part-time hourly public school employees who render at least 500 hours of service in the school year and part-time per diem public school employees who render at least 80 days of service in the school year in any of the reporting entities in Pennsylvania. PSERS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at www.psers.state.pa.us.

Benefits Provided - PSERS provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Members are eligible for monthly retirement benefits upon reaching (a) age 62 with at least one year of credited service; (b) age 60 with 30 or more years of credited service; or (c) 35 or more years of service regardless of age. Act 120 of 2010 (Act 120) preserves the benefits of existing members and introduced benefit reductions for individuals who become new members on or after July 1, 2011. Act 120 created two membership classes, Membership Class T-E (Class T-E) and Membership Class T-F (Class T-F). To qualify for normal retirement, Class T-E and Class T-F members must work until age 65 with a minimum three years of service or attain a total combination of age and service that is equal to or greater than 92 with a minimum of 35 years of service. Benefits are generally equal to 2% or 2.5%, depending on membership class, of the member's final average salary (as defined in the Code) multiplied by the number of years of credited service. For members whose membership started prior to July 1, 2011, after completion of five years of service, a member's right to the defined benefits is vested and early retirement benefits may be elected. For Class T-E and Class T-F members, the right to benefits is vested after ten years of service.

Participants are eligible for disability retirement benefits after completion of five years of credited service. Such benefits are generally equal to 2% or 2.5%, depending upon membership class, of the member's final average salary (as defined in the Code) multiplied by the number of years of credited service, but not less than one-third of such salary nor greater than the benefit the member would have had at normal retirement age. Members over normal retirement age may apply for disability benefits.

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NOTE M - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Death benefits are payable upon the death of an active member who has reached age 62 with at least one year of credited service (age 65 with at least three years of credited service for Class T-E and Class T-F members) or who has at least five years of credited service (ten years for Class T-E and Class T-F members). Such benefits are actuarially equivalent to the benefit that would have been effective if the member had retired on the day before death.

Contributions

Members Contributions

- Active members who joined the System prior to July 22, 1983, contribute at 5.25% (Membership Class T-C) or at 6.50% (Membership Class T-D) of the member's qualifying compensation.
- Members who joined the System on or after July 22, 1983, and who were active or inactive as of July 1, 2001, contribute at 6.25% (Membership Class T-C) or at 7.50% (Membership Class T-D) of the member's qualifying compensation.
- Members who joined the System after June 30, 2001 and before July 1, 2011, contribute at 7.50% (automatic Membership Class T-D). For all new hires and for members who elected Class T-D membership, the higher contribution rates began with services rendered on or after January 1, 2002.
- Members who joined the System after June 30, 2011, automatically contribute at the Membership Class T-E rate of 7.5% (base rate) of the member's qualifying compensation. All new hires after June 30, 2011, who elect Class T-F membership, contribute at 10.3% (base rate) of the member's qualifying compensation. Membership Class T-E and Class T-F are affected by a "shared risk" provision in Act 120 of 2010 that in future fiscal years could cause the Membership Class T-E contribution rate to fluctuate between 7.5% and 9.5% and the Membership Class T-F contribution rate to fluctuate between 10.3% and 12.3%.

Employer Contributions

The School District's contractually required contribution rate for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, was 20.50% of covered payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with employee contributions is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by employees during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. Contributions to the plan from the School District were \$8,398,000 for the year ended June 30, 2015.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE M - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

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

At June 30, 2015, the School District reported a liability of \$129,469,000 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by rolling forward the System's total pension liability as of June 30, 2013 to June 30, 2014. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was calculated utilizing the employer's one-year reported covered payroll as it relates to the total one-year reported covered payroll. At June 30, 2014, the School District's proportion was 0.3271%, which was an increase of 0.0163% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2013.

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the School District recognized pension expense of \$12,632,000. At June 30, 2015, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	\$ -	\$ 9,023,000
Changes in proportions	5,241,000	-
Difference between employer contributions and proportionate share of total contributions	-	6,000
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>8,187,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 13,428,000</u>	<u>\$ 9,029,000</u>
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES		
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	\$ -	\$ 233,000
Changes in proportions	136,000	-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>211,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 347,000</u>	<u>\$ 233,000</u>

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
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JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE M - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

\$8,398,000 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from School District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the new pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2015. 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,	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
2016	\$ (994,000)	\$ (26,000)
2017	(994,000)	(26,000)
2018	(994,000)	(26,000)
2019	(994,000)	(26,000)
2020	185,000	6,000
	<u>\$ (3,791,000)</u>	<u>\$ (98,000)</u>

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability as of June 30, 2014, was determined by rolling forward the System's total pension liability as of the June 30, 2013 actuarial valuation to June 30, 2014, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

- **Actuarial Cost Method** - Entry Age Normal - level % of pay
- **Investment Return** - 7.5%, includes inflation at 3.00%
- **Salary Increases** - Effective average of 5.50%, which reflects an allowance for inflation of 3.00, real wage growth of 1% and merit or seniority increases of 1.50%
- Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Annuitant Table (male and female) with age set back three years for both males and females. For disabled annuitants, the RP-2000 Combined Disabled Tables (male and female) with age set back seven years for males and three years for females.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2013 valuation were based on the experience study that was performed for the five-year period ending June 30, 2010. The recommended assumption changes based on this experience study were adopted by the Board at its March 11, 2011 Board meeting and were effective beginning with the June 30, 2011 actuarial valuation.

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

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NOTE M - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

The plan's policy in regard to the allocation of invested plan assets is established and may be amended by the Board. Plan assets are managed with a long-term objective of achieving and maintaining a fully funded status for the benefits provided through the pension.

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Public markets global equity	19%	5.0%
Private markets (equity)	21%	6.5%
Private real estate	13%	4.7%
Global fixed income	8%	2.0%
U.S. long treasuries	3%	1.4%
TIPS	12%	1.2%
High yield bonds	6%	1.7%
Cash	3%	0.9%
Absolute return	10%	4.8%
Risk parity	5%	3.9%
MLPs/Infrastructure	3%	5.3%
Commodities	6%	3.3%
Financing (LIBOR)	(9%)	1.1%
	<u>100%</u>	

The above was the Board's adopted asset allocation policy and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2014.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
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JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE M - PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the net pension liability, calculated using the discount rate of 7.5%, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.5%) or one percentage point higher (8.5%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.5%)	Current Discount Rate (7.5%)	1% Increase (8.5%)
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ <u>161,494,000</u>	\$ <u>129,469,000</u>	\$ <u>102,128,000</u>

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about PSERS's fiduciary net position is available in the PSERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be found on the System's website at www.psers.state.pa.us.

NOTE N - ACCUMULATED COMPENSATED ABSENCES AND EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVE PLAN

School District employees who are required to work on a 12-month schedule are credited with vacation at rates which vary with length of service or job classification. Vacation (for most employee categories) may be taken or accumulated within certain limits and is paid prior to retirement or termination at the employee's current rate of pay.

The liability to current employees is estimated and will change since unused vacation will be paid at the rate of pay in effect at the time of separation. These accumulated leaves are recorded as an expenditure in the period taken or as an accrued expenditure in the fiscal year of separation. Termination compensation payable in future years, which was \$403,129 at June 30, 2015, is recorded in compensated absences on the statement of net position.

The School District pays a per diem rate to retirees for unused sick time based on employment classification. Compensation payable in future years, which was \$4,014,032 at June 30, 2015, is recorded in compensated absences on the statement of net position.

In addition, \$180,000 of future payments related to obligations under the School District's Early Retirement Incentive Plan is recorded on the statement of net position.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE O - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB)

Plan Description

The School District provides medical and prescription drug insurance benefits to eligible retired employees, spouses and dependents through a single-employer defined benefit plan. The benefits, benefits level, employee contribution and employer contribution are administered by School District Supervisors and can be amended by the School District through its personnel manual and union contracts. The plan is not accounted for as a trust fund, as an irrevocable trust has not been established to account for the plan. The plan does not issue a stand-alone financial report. The activity of the plan is reported in the School District's General Fund.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

The School District's annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed 30 years.

The following table shows the components of the School District's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan and changes in the School District's net OPEB obligation to the plan:

Normal cost	\$	214,590
Amortization of unfunded actuarial accrued liability		196,034
ANNUAL REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION (ARC)		410,624
Interest on net OPEB obligation		35,609
Adjustment to ARC		(48,580)
ANNUAL OPEB EXPENSE		397,653
Net OPEB contributions during the year		(195,709)
INCREASE IN NET OPEB OBLIGATION		201,944
Net OPEB obligation at beginning of year		791,312
NET OPEB OBLIGATION AT END OF YEAR	\$	993,256

<u>Year</u>	<u>Annual OPEB Cost</u>	<u>Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed</u>	<u>Net OPEB Obligation</u>
2013	\$ 407,802	51.5%	\$ 623,777
2014	404,559	58.6%	791,312
2015	397,653	49.2%	993,256

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE O - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB) (Continued)

Funded Status and Funding Progress

As of July 1, 2012, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$3,193,180 and the actuarial value of assets was \$0, all of which was unfunded. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$38,963,737, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 8.20%.

The projection of future benefit payments for an ongoing plan involves estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information on page 57, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Methods and Assumptions

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the July 1, 2014 actuarial valuation, the entry age actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 4.5% investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses), which is a blended rate of the expected long-term investment returns on plan assets and on the employer's own investments calculated based on the funded level of the plan at the valuation date, and an annual healthcare cost trend rate of 6.5%, reduced by decrements of .5% to an ultimate rate of 5.5% after two years. The actuarial value of assets was determined using techniques that spread the effects of short-term volatility in the market value of investments over a five-year period. The UAAL is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll on an open basis. The remaining amortization period at June 30, 2015, was 28 years.

NOTE P - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

There are a number of tax assessment appeals pending in the Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County from the decisions of the Board of Assessment Appeals. Legal counsel for the School District cannot give an opinion on the outcome of these appeals nor can they reasonably estimate the financial impact.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
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NOTE Q - RISK MANAGEMENT

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. It is the policy of the School District to purchase commercial insurance for the risks of loss to which it is exposed, including workers' compensation and employee health and accident insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three years.

NOTE R - PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

The School District implemented GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions--An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, effective July 1, 2014.

The objective of GASB Statement No. 68 is to improve accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for pension plans. GASB Statement No. 68 states that local governments have to record their share of the Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS) unfunded liability.

For the government-wide governmental activities, the School District has treated their proportionate share of beginning of year net pension liability of \$123,890,000 and beginning of year deferred outflows of resources of \$6,313,000 as having been recognized in the period incurred. The School District has adjusted beginning net position for the governmental activities from \$35,445,747 to (\$82,234,253).

For the proprietary funds and the government-wide business-type activities, the School District has treated their proportionate share of beginning of year net pension liability of \$3,340,000 and beginning of year deferred outflows of resources of \$195,000 as having been recognized in the period incurred. The School District has adjusted beginning net position for the proprietary funds and for the business-type activities from \$849,434 to (\$2,192,566).

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final	Actual	
REVENUES				
Local sources	\$ 72,609,230	\$ 72,609,230	\$ 73,813,513	\$ 1,204,283
State sources	11,200,785	11,200,785	11,280,263	79,478
Federal sources	1,148,300	1,148,300	1,271,050	122,750
TOTAL REVENUES	84,958,315	84,958,315	86,364,826	1,406,511
EXPENDITURES				
Instruction				
Regular programs	34,251,241	35,181,363	33,688,824	1,492,539
Special programs	11,064,120	10,826,483	10,314,560	511,923
Vocational programs	2,303,437	2,290,961	2,300,755	(9,794)
Other instructional programs	917,863	108,751	63,877	44,874
TOTAL INSTRUCTION	48,536,661	48,407,558	46,368,016	2,039,542
Support services				
Pupil personnel services	3,651,406	3,657,969	4,018,285	(360,316)
Instructional staff services	2,636,612	2,557,340	2,076,233	481,107
Administration services	4,224,386	4,240,400	4,184,843	55,557
Pupil health	1,161,022	1,242,164	1,250,570	(8,406)
Business services	898,891	899,522	894,741	4,781
Operation and maintenance of plant services	6,881,090	6,878,434	7,290,881	(412,447)
Student transportation services	4,327,538	4,322,186	4,474,732	(152,546)
Central services	1,465,588	1,467,884	1,362,006	105,878
Other support services	63,206	243,706	328,531	(84,825)
TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES	25,309,739	25,509,605	25,880,822	(371,217)
Non-instructional services				
Student activities	1,675,776	1,705,133	1,619,886	85,247
Community services	96,000	96,000	158,485	(62,485)
TOTAL NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	1,771,776	1,801,133	1,778,371	22,762
Refund of prior year revenues	100,000	100,000	502,350	(402,350)
Capital outlay	50,000	50,000	9,618	40,382
Debt service	8,445,139	8,445,139	7,457,460	987,679
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	84,213,315	84,313,435	81,996,637	2,316,798
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	745,000	644,880	4,368,189	3,723,309
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	5,000	5,000	10,125	5,125
Interfund transfers out	(500,000)	(500,000)	(3,500,000)	(3,000,000)
Budgetary reserve	(250,000)	(149,880)	-	149,880
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(745,000)	(644,880)	(3,489,875)	(2,844,995)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	878,314	\$ 878,314
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR			13,738,669	
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR			\$ 14,616,983	

See accompanying note to the budgetary comparison schedule.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTE TO THE BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE A - BUDGETARY INFORMATION

Budgets are adopted on a modified accrual basis plus encumbrances. An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the General Fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. Project-length financial plans are adopted for all Capital Project Funds.

The School District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. Prior to March 1, the Business Administrator submits to the School Board a preliminary operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. Public hearings are conducted at the School District offices to obtain taxpayer comments.
3. Prior to July 1, the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance.
4. The Business Administrator is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the School Board.
5. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund. Formal budgetary integration is not employed for the Special Revenue Funds. Formal budgetary integration is also not employed for the Debt Service Fund because effective budgetary control is alternatively achieved through general obligation bond indenture provisions.
6. Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended by the School Board.

All budget amounts presented in the accompanying required supplementary information reflect the original budget and the amended budget (which have been adjusted for legally authorized revisions to the annual budgets during the year).

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE
SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

School District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.3271%
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 129,469,000
School District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 41,734,460
School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	310.22%
The plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.24%

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S CONTRIBUTIONS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Contractually required contribution	\$ 8,398,000
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>8,398,000</u>
CONTRIBUTION (EXCESS) DEFICIENCY	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>
School District's covered-employee payroll	\$ <u><u>41,283,814</u></u>
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	20.34%

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN
PENSION FUNDING PROGRESS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS

Valuation Date July 1,	(a) Actuarial Value of Assets	(b) Entry Age Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	(c) Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b)-(a)	(d) Funded Ratio (a)/(b)	(e) Covered Payroll	(f) UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (c)/(e)
2010	\$ -	\$ 2,907,701	\$ 2,907,701	0%	\$ 34,851,473	8.34%
2012	-	3,105,104	3,105,104	0%	37,850,224	8.20%
2014	-	3,193,180	3,193,180	0%	38,963,737	8.20%

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SECTION

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF CURRENT REAL ESTATE SETTLEMENTS
GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Borough of Bridgeport		Borough of West Conshohocken	
	Assessed Valuation	Tax at 18.36	Assessed Valuation	Tax at 18.36
CHARGES AGAINST TAX COLLECTORS				
Original duplicate	\$ 179,869,153		\$ 285,761,160	
Net reductions by Montgomery County Board of Assessment (Homestead Exclusion)	<u>(3,097,675)</u>		<u>(1,430,926)</u>	
TOTAL CHARGES AGAINST TAX COLLECTORS	<u>\$ 176,771,478</u>	<u>\$ 3,245,524</u>	<u>\$ 284,330,234</u>	<u>\$ 5,220,301</u>
CREDITS TO COLLECTORS				
Cash received from tax collectors				
Amount paid at discount	\$ 2,524,065		\$ 4,657,706	
Amount paid at face	345,078		327,519	
Amount paid at penalty	<u>91,458</u>		<u>57,680</u>	
NET TAX RECEIVED		\$ 2,960,601		\$ 5,042,905
Add 2% discount		52,910		94,787
Less 10% penalty		<u>(6,275)</u>		<u>(5,839)</u>
FACE AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED		3,007,236		5,131,853
Delinquent taxes lienied with the county treasurer		<u>238,288</u>		<u>88,448</u>
TOTAL CREDITS TO COLLECTORS		<u>\$ 3,245,524</u>		<u>\$ 5,220,301</u>
	At Face	%	At Face	%
Collected at discount	\$ 2,576,975	79.4%	\$ 4,752,493	91.0%
Collected at face	345,078	10.6%	327,519	6.3%
Collected at penalty	<u>85,183</u>	<u>2.6%</u>	<u>51,841</u>	<u>1.0%</u>
TOTAL COLLECTED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT	3,007,236	92.6%	5,131,853	98.3%
Lienied taxes	<u>238,288</u>	<u>7.4%</u>	<u>88,448</u>	<u>1.7%</u>
TOTAL DUPLICATE	<u>\$ 3,245,524</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$ 5,220,301</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Township of Upper Merion		Totals	
Assessed Valuation	Tax at 18.36	Assessed Valuation	Tax at 18.36
\$ 3,469,862,647		\$ 3,935,492,960	
<u>(28,728,428)</u>		<u>(33,257,029)</u>	
<u>\$ 3,441,134,219</u>	<u>\$ 62,720,532</u>	<u>\$ 3,902,235,931</u>	<u>\$ 71,186,358</u>
\$ 55,888,785		\$ 63,070,556	
3,808,405		4,481,002	
<u>1,102,870</u>		<u>1,252,009</u>	
	\$ 60,800,060		\$ 68,803,566
	1,139,614		1,287,311
	<u>(137,374)</u>		<u>(149,488)</u>
	61,802,299		69,941,388
	<u>918,233</u>		<u>1,244,969</u>
	<u>\$ 62,720,532</u>		<u>\$ 71,186,358</u>
At Face	%	At Face	%
\$ 57,028,399	90.9%	\$ 64,357,867	90.4%
3,808,405	6.1%	4,481,002	6.3%
<u>965,496</u>	<u>1.5%</u>	<u>1,102,521</u>	<u>1.5%</u>
61,802,300	98.5%	69,941,389	98.3%
<u>918,233</u>	<u>1.5%</u>	<u>1,244,969</u>	<u>1.7%</u>
<u>\$ 62,720,533</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$ 71,186,359</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES

BUDGET AND ACTUAL

GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

		Budgeted Revenue	Actual Revenue	Over (Under) Budget
6000	REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES			
6111	Current real estate taxes	\$ 68,642,021	\$ 67,954,363	\$ (687,658)
6112	Interim real estate taxes	308,000	1,055,210	747,210
6113	Public utility realty tax	86,000	86,327	327
6143	Occupational privilege taxes	230,000	242,111	12,111
6153	Real estate transfer tax	1,277,762	1,553,226	275,464
6154	Amusement taxes	25,000	62,494	37,494
6410	Delinquent real estate tax	685,000	1,000,801	315,801
6440	Delinquent 511 and amusement taxes	5,100	12,581	7,481
6500	Earnings on investments	100,000	138,607	38,607
6700	Revenue from student activities	15,000	13,591	(1,409)
6910	Rentals	734,816	689,736	(45,080)
6940	Tuitions	5,000	11,050	6,050
6990	Miscellaneous revenue	495,531	993,416	497,885
	TOTAL 6000 REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES	<u>72,609,230</u>	<u>73,813,513</u>	<u>1,204,283</u>
7000	REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			
7110	Basic instructional subsidy	2,030,045	2,097,830	67,785
7271	Special education subsidy	1,398,213	1,404,945	6,732
7310	Transportation	790,000	809,981	19,981
7320	Rentals and sinking fund payments	158,522	257,807	99,285
7330	Medical and dental subsidy	49,414	86,105	36,691
7340	State property tax reduction	611,404	611,404	-
7500	Extra grants	-	103,693	103,693
7501	Pennsylvania accountability grant	41,813	-	(41,813)
7800	State's share of FICA payments	1,625,158	1,508,878	(116,280)
7810	State's share of retirement	4,496,216	4,399,620	(96,596)
	TOTAL 7000 REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES	<u>11,200,785</u>	<u>11,280,263</u>	<u>79,478</u>
8000	REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			
8512	IDEA revenue	500,000	500,495	495
8514	Title I	274,056	341,410	67,354
8515	Title II	104,065	87,931	(16,134)
8516	Title III	35,179	77,832	42,653
8690	C.A.S.T. grant	100,000	102,733	2,733
8810	Federal Access funds	100,000	142,000	42,000
8820	Medical Assistance reimbursement	35,000	18,649	(16,351)
	TOTAL 8000 REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES	<u>1,148,300</u>	<u>1,271,050</u>	<u>122,750</u>
9000	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
9400	Sale of fixed assets	<u>5,000</u>	<u>10,125</u>	<u>5,125</u>
	TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$ 84,963,315</u>	<u>\$ 86,364,826</u>	<u>\$ 1,406,511</u>

***Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on
Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements
Performed in Accordance With Government Auditing Standards***

To the Board of School Directors
Upper Merion Area School District
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Upper Merion Area School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Upper Merion Area School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 9, 2015.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

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

To the Board of School Directors
Upper Merion Area School District
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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

Oaks, Pennsylvania
November 9, 2015

***Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and
Report on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133***

To the Board of School Directors
Upper Merion Area School District
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Upper Merion Area School District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Upper Merion Area School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015. Upper Merion Area School District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its federal programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Upper Merion Area School District's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Upper Merion Area School District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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

To the Board of School Directors
Upper Merion Area School District
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

Opinion of Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, Upper Merion Area 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, 2015.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Upper Merion Area School District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Upper Merion Area School District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program as a basis for designing the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Upper Merion Area School District's internal control over compliance.

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

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

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Oaks, Pennsylvania
November 9, 2015

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - MAJOR FEDERAL
AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT**

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL
AND CERTAIN STATE AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

<u>Federal Grantor/Project Title</u>	<u>Source Code</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Pass-Through Grantor's Number</u>	<u>Grant Period Beginning/Ending Dates</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION				
Passed through the Pennsylvania Department of Education				
Title I	I	84.010	13-140451	August 30, 2013 to September 30, 2014
Title I	I	84.010	13-150451	December 12, 2014 to September 30, 2015
Title III	I	84.365	10-130451	August 23, 2012 to September 30, 2014
Title III	I	84.365	10-140451	August 30, 2013 to September 30, 2014
Title III	I	84.365	10-150451	December 12, 2014 to September 30, 2015
Title II/A	I	84.367	20-130451	August 23, 2012 to September 30, 2014
Title II/A	I	84.367	20-140451	August 30, 2013 to September 30, 2014
Title II/A	I	84.367	20-150451	December 12, 2014 to September 30, 2015
IDEA	I	84.391	62-02014	July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014
IDEA	I	84.391	62-02014	July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015
IDEA	I	84.027	62-02014	July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014
IDEA	I	84.027	62-02014	July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015
TOTAL FORWARD				
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES				
Drug Free Communities		93.276	044-007451	September 30, 2012 to September 29, 2017
TOTAL FORWARD				

<u>Program or Award Amount</u>	<u>Total Received for the Year</u>	<u>Accrued or (Deferred) Revenue at July 1, 2014</u>	<u>Revenue Recognized</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Accrued or (Deferred) Revenue at June 30, 2015</u>
\$ 273,042	\$ 77,288	\$ 77,288	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
341,410	273,128	-	341,410	341,410	68,282
46,372	6,625	6,625	-	-	-
35,179	27,641	(6,338)	33,979	33,979	-
45,623	18,249	-	43,854	43,854	25,605
108,503	23,203	23,203	-	-	-
104,024	81,724	72,562	9,162	9,162	-
104,190	62,514	-	78,769	78,769	16,255
2,651	2,651	2,651	-	-	-
1,848	-	-	1,848	1,848	1,848
513,710	153,893	153,893	-	-	-
<u>498,647</u>	<u>327,603</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>498,647</u>	<u>498,647</u>	<u>171,044</u>
<u>2,075,199</u>	<u>1,054,519</u>	<u>329,884</u>	<u>1,007,669</u>	<u>1,007,669</u>	<u>283,034</u>
<u>622,940</u>	<u>135,000</u>	<u>(13,149)</u>	<u>102,733</u>	<u>102,733</u>	<u>(45,416)</u>
\$ <u>622,940</u>	\$ <u>135,000</u>	\$ <u>(13,149)</u>	\$ <u>102,733</u>	\$ <u>102,733</u>	\$ <u>(45,416)</u>

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL
AND CERTAIN STATE AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

<u>Federal Grantor/Project Title</u>	<u>Source Code</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Pass-Through Grantor's Number</u>	<u>Grant Period Beginning/Ending Dates</u>
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION				
TOTAL FORWARDED				
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES				
TOTAL FORWARDED				
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE				
Passed through the Pennsylvania Department of Education				
Child Nutrition Cluster				
National School Lunch Program	I	10.555	N/A	July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014
National School Lunch Program	I	10.555	N/A	July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015
National School Breakfast Program	I	10.553	N/A	July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014
National School Breakfast Program	I	10.553	N/A	July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015
National School Lunch Program	S	N/A	N/A	July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014
National School Lunch Program	S	N/A	N/A	July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015
Passed through the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture				
National School Lunch Program	I	10.555	N/A	July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE				
TOTAL FEDERAL AND CERTAIN STATE AWARDS				
LESS STATE SHARE				
TOTAL FEDERAL AWARDS				

See accompanying notes to the schedule of expenditures of federal and certain state awards.

<u>Program or Award Amount</u>	<u>Total Received for the Year</u>	<u>Accrued or (Deferred) Revenue at July 1, 2014</u>	<u>Revenue Recognized</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Accrued or (Deferred) Revenue at June 30, 2015</u>
\$ <u>2,075,199</u>	\$ <u>1,054,519</u>	\$ <u>329,884</u>	\$ <u>1,007,669</u>	\$ <u>1,007,669</u>	\$ <u>283,034</u>
<u>622,940</u>	<u>135,000</u>	<u>(13,149)</u>	<u>102,733</u>	<u>102,733</u>	<u>(45,416)</u>
-	18,535	18,535	-	-	-
-	500,556	-	520,850	520,850	20,294
-	5,134	5,134	-	-	-
-	105,568	-	112,773	112,773	7,205
-	1,680	1,680	-	-	-
-	39,903	-	41,625	41,625	1,722
<u>-</u>	<u>98,470</u>	<u>(11,361)</u>	<u>101,684</u>	<u>101,684</u>	<u>(8,147)</u>
<u>-</u>	<u>769,846</u>	<u>13,988</u>	<u>776,932</u>	<u>776,932</u>	<u>21,074</u>
2,698,139	1,959,365	330,723	1,887,334	1,887,334	258,692
<u>-</u>	<u>(41,583)</u>	<u>(1,680)</u>	<u>(41,625)</u>	<u>(41,625)</u>	<u>(1,722)</u>
\$ <u><u>2,698,139</u></u>	\$ <u><u>1,917,782</u></u>	\$ <u><u>329,043</u></u>	\$ <u><u>1,845,709</u></u>	\$ <u><u>1,845,709</u></u>	\$ <u><u>256,970</u></u>

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF
FEDERAL AND CERTAIN STATE AWARDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

NOTE A - ORGANIZATION AND SCOPE

The federal programs as listed in the schedule of expenditures of federal and certain state awards are accounted for by the School District in the General Fund for U.S. Department of Education programs and in the Food Service Fund for U.S. Department of Agriculture programs.

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The School District uses the modified accrual basis of accounting to report federal, state and other grants. Revenues designated for payment of specified School District expenditures are recognized when the related expenditures are incurred. Any excess of receipts or expenditures at the fiscal year-end are recorded as deferred revenue or a receivable, respectively. The modified accrual basis of accounting is described in Note A to the financial statements.

Total assistance is valued at the sum of cash received and the value of U.S.D.A. donated foods based upon the federal price list accompanying each shipment.

NOTE C - PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Title I Grants to Improve Basic Programs - To improve the teaching and learning of children who are at risk of not meeting challenging and academic standards and who reside in areas with high concentrations of children from low-income families.

National School Lunch Program - To (1) assist states through cash grants and donations in making lunch available to school children and (2) encourage the domestic consumption of agricultural commodities and other foods. To improve the diets of school children in need of food assistance and to increase the market for domestically produced foods acquired under surplus removal or price support operations.

Title II Improving Teacher Quality - To upgrade the expertise of teachers and other school staff to enable them to teach all children to meet state content standards and to sustain high quality professional development focused on core academic subjects.

Title III Language Instruction LEP/Immigrant Students - Improve education of limited English proficient students and provide enhanced instructional opportunities for immigrant children and youths.

Individuals with Disabilities Education (IDEA) Programs - To (1) ensure that all children with disabilities have available to them a free appropriate public education which emphasizes special education and related services designed to meet their unique needs; (2) ensure that the rights of children with disabilities and their parents or guardians are protected; (3) assist states, localities, educational service agencies and federal agencies to provide for the education of all children with disabilities; and (4) assess and ensure that effectiveness of efforts to educate children with disabilities.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

A. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditors' report issued: **Unmodified**

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness(es) identified: **No**

Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses: **No**

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted: **No**

Federal Awards

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs: **Unmodified**

Internal control over major programs:

Material weaknesses(es) identified: **No**

Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses:
No

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of the Circular: **No**

Identification of major programs:

<u>Program</u>	<u>CFDA</u>
Title I	84.010
IDEA	84.027
Drug Free Communities	93.276

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: **\$300,000**

Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee: **No**

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

None.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT

None.

UPPER MERION AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

2014-001 - U.S. Department of Education Individuals with Disabilities Education (IDEA) CFDA 84.027

Allowable Costs

Condition: The School District did not complete periodic certifications that employees worked solely on the IDEA program in support of salaries and wages charged to the program.

Recommendation: The School District should improve its controls over the completion of periodic certifications. We suggest the School District task the program coordinator with reviewing payroll expenses at least semi-annually, determining if any employees work solely in the IDEA program and ensure those employees complete a periodic certification.

Current Status: Corrected

2014-002 - U.S. Department of Education Individuals with Disabilities Education (IDEA) CFDA 84.027

Allowable Costs

Condition: During our audit, we noted the School District submitted an invoice for reimbursement for which it did not incur any expense.

Recommendation: The School District should improve its controls over the review and approval of costs submitted for reimbursement under the Federal program.

Current Status: Corrected