



\$9,940,000*

**Lenox Community School District, Iowa
General Obligation School Bonds
Series 2020**

(FAST Closing)

(The Issuer will NOT designate the Bonds as Bank-Qualified as discussed more thoroughly herein)

(Book Entry Only)

(PARITY© Bidding Available)

DATE: Thursday, May 28, 2020
TIME: 12:00 Noon
PLACE: Office of the Superintendent
600 S. Locust
Lenox, IA 50851
Telephone: (641) 333-2244
Fax: (641) 333-2247

Standard & Poor's Rating: "A"

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

OFFICIAL BID FORM

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

Re: \$9,940,000* General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2020, dated the date of delivery, of the Issuer (the "Bonds")

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

<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Due</u>	<u>Coupon</u>	<u>Yield</u>	<u>Due</u>
_____	_____	June 1, 2021	_____	_____	June 1, 2031
_____	_____	June 1, 2022	_____	_____	June 1, 2032
_____	_____	June 1, 2023	_____	_____	June 1, 2033
_____	_____	June 1, 2024	_____	_____	June 1, 2034
_____	_____	June 1, 2025	_____	_____	June 1, 2035
_____	_____	June 1, 2026	_____	_____	June 1, 2036
_____	_____	June 1, 2027	_____	_____	June 1, 2037
_____	_____	June 1, 2028	_____	_____	June 1, 2038
_____	_____	June 1, 2029	_____	_____	June 1, 2039
_____	_____	June 1, 2030	_____	_____	June 1, 2040

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

 Account Manager

 Signature of Account Manager

The foregoing offer is hereby accepted by and on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Lenox Community School District, in the Counties of Adams, Ringgold, Taylor and Union, State of Iowa, this 28th day of May, 2020.

ATTEST: _____
 District Secretary

 Board President

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OFFICIAL TERMS OF OFFERING

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

The Bonds to be offered are the following:

GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2020, in the principal amount of \$9,940,000* dated the date of delivery in the denomination of \$5,000 or multiples thereof, and maturing as shown on the front page of the official statement.

ADJUSTMENTS TO PRINCIPAL AMOUNT AFTER DETERMINATION OF BEST BID. The aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, and each scheduled maturity thereof, are subject to increase or reduction by the Issuer or its designee after the determination of the Successful Bidder. The Issuer may increase or decrease each maturity in increments of \$5,000. Interest rates specified by the Successful Bidder for each maturity will not change. Final adjustments shall be in the sole discretion of the Issuer. The total par amount will not exceed \$9,940,000.

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

Optional Redemption: The Bonds maturing after June 1, 2026, may be called for redemption by the Issuer and paid before maturity on said date or any date thereafter, from any funds regardless of source, in whole or from time to time in part, in any order of maturity and within an annual maturity by lot. The terms of redemption shall be par, plus accrued interest to date of call.

Interest: Interest on said Bonds will be payable on December 1, 2020 and semiannually on the 1st day of June and December thereafter. Interest shall be payable by check or draft of the Paying Agent mailed to the persons who were registered owners thereof as of the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the Interest Payment Date, to the addresses appearing on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent or to such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by a registered owner.

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

Good Faith Deposit: A Good Faith Deposit ("Deposit") in the form of a certified or cashier's check or a wire in the amount of \$99,400* for the Bonds, payable to the order of the Issuer, is required for each bid to be considered. If a check is used, it must accompany each bid. If a wire is to be used, it must be received by the Issuer not later than two hours after the time stated for receipt of bids. The Financial Advisor or the Issuer will provide the apparent winning bidder (the "Purchaser") with wiring instructions, by facsimile and email, within 10 minutes of the stated time when bids are due. If the wire is not received at the time indicated above, the Issuer will abandon its plan to award to the Purchaser, and will contact the next highest bidder received and offer said bidder the opportunity to become the Purchaser, on the terms as outlined in said bidder's bid, so long as said bidder submits a good faith wire within two hours of the time offered. The Issuer will not award the Bonds to the Purchaser absent receipt of the Deposit prior to action awarding the Bonds. No interest on the Deposit will accrue to the Purchaser. The Deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the Bonds. In the event the Purchaser fails to honor its bid, the Deposit will be retained by the Issuer.

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Form of Bids: All bids shall be unconditional for the entire issue of Bonds for a price of not less than 98.50% of par, plus accrued interest, and shall specify the rate or rates of interest in conformity to the limitations set forth herein. Bids must be submitted on or in substantial compliance with the Official Bid Form provided by the Issuer or through the Internet Bid System. The Issuer shall not be responsible for any malfunction or mistake made by any person, or as a result of the use of the electronic bid, facsimile facilities or the means used to deliver or complete a bid. The use of such facilities or means is at the sole risk of the prospective bidder who shall be bound by the terms of the bid as received.

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

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

Sealed Bidding: Sealed bids may be submitted and will be received at the office of the Superintendent, Lenox Community School District, 600 S. Locust, Lenox, IA.

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

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

Electronic Facsimile Bidding: Bids may be submitted via facsimile at the phone number listed on the front cover of this Preliminary Official Statement. Electronic facsimile bids will be sealed and treated as sealed bids. Transmissions received after the deadline shall be rejected. It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that the bid is legible, that the bid is received prior to the appointed time, and that the bid is sent to the telecopier number set forth above. The Financial Advisor will, in no instance correct, alter, or in any way change bids submitted through facsimile transmission. Neither the Issuer nor its agents will be responsible for bids submitted by facsimile transmission not received in accordance with the provisions of this Official Terms of Offering. Bidders electing to submit bids via facsimile transmission will bear full and complete responsibility for the transmission of such bid. Neither the Issuer nor its agents will assume liability for the inability of the bidder to reach the above name fax number prior to the time of sale specified above. Time of receipt shall be the time recorded by the facsimile operator.

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

All Bonds of each annual maturity must bear the same interest rate.

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

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

Establishment of Issue Price:

(a) The winning bidder shall assist the Issuer in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the Issuer at Closing an "issue price" or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public or the sales price or prices of the Bonds, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, substantially in the form attached hereto as Appendix E, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the winning bidder, the Issuer and Bond Counsel.

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

- the Issuer shall disseminate this Official Terms of Offering to potential underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential underwriters;
- all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid;
- the Issuer may receive bids from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds; and
- the Issuer anticipates awarding the sale of the Bonds to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Bonds at the highest price (or lowest interest cost), as set forth in this Official Terms of Offering.

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

Paragraphs (c) through (g) below shall apply only in the event that the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied.

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

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

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

The winning bidder shall promptly advise the Issuer when the underwriters have sold 10% of that maturity of the Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public, if that occurs prior to the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date.

(e) If the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, then until the 10% test has been satisfied as to each maturity of the Bonds to which the 10% test is to be applied, the winning bidder agrees to promptly report to the Issuer the prices at which the unsold Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public. That reporting obligation shall continue, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or until all Bonds of that maturity have been sold.

(f) The Issuer acknowledges that, in making the representation set forth above, the winning bidder will rely on (i) the agreement of each underwriter to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, as set forth in an agreement among underwriters and the related pricing wires, (ii) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires, and (iii) in the event that an underwriter is a party to a retail distribution agreement that was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, as set forth in the retail distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The Issuer further acknowledges that each underwriter shall be solely liable for its failure to comply with its agreement regarding the hold-the-offering-price rule and that no underwriter shall be liable for the failure of any other underwriter, or of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to comply with its corresponding agreement regarding the hold-the-offering-price rule as applicable to the Bonds.

(g) By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that: (i) any agreement among underwriters, any selling group agreement and each retail distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter, each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement, as applicable, to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allotted to it until it is notified by the winning bidder that either the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public and (B) comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder and as set forth in the related pricing wires, and (ii) any agreement among underwriters relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each underwriter that is a party to a retail distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allotted to it until it is notified by the winning bidder or such underwriter that either the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public and (B) comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder or such underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

(h) Sales of any Bonds to any person that is a related party to an underwriter shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this Official Terms of Offering. Further, for purposes of this Official Terms of Offering:

- (i) "public" means any person other than an underwriter or a related party,
- (ii) "underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the public),
- (iii) a purchaser of any of the Bonds is a "related party" to an underwriter if the underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (i) at least 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (ii) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (iii) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other), and
- (iv) "sale date" means the date that the Bonds are awarded by the Issuer to the winning bidder.

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

CUSIP Numbers: It is anticipated that CUSIP numbers will be printed on the Bonds. In no event will the Issuer be responsible for or Bond Counsel review or express any opinion of the correctness of such numbers, and incorrect numbers on said Bonds shall not be cause for the purchaser to refuse to accept delivery of the Bonds. The fee will be paid for by the Issuer.

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

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

termination, amendment and remedies, are set forth in Appendix C to this Official Statement.

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

For more information see the Continuing Disclosure section herein.

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

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

PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED MAY 15, 2020

NEW ISSUE - DTC BOOK ENTRY ONLY

Rating: "A"

In the opinion of Bond Counsel under existing law and assuming continued compliance with certain requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, interest on the Bonds i) is not exempt from Iowa State income tax; and ii) is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals and corporations. The Bonds will NOT be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations." See "TAX MATTERS" herein.

\$9,940,000*

**Lenox Community School District, Iowa
General Obligation School Bonds
Series 2020**

Dated: Date of Delivery

The General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2020 described above (the "Bonds") are issuable as fully registered Bonds in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof and, when issued, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as Bondholder and nominee of the Depository Trust Company, New York, NY ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the Bonds. Purchases of the Bonds will be made in book-entry form. Purchasers of the Bonds will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Bonds purchased. So long as DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co., is the Bondholder, the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds will be paid by UMB Bank, n.a., as Registrar and Paying Agent (the "Registrar"), or its successor, to DTC, or its nominee, Cede & Co. Disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners is the responsibility of the DTC Participants as more fully described herein. Neither the Issuer nor the Registrar will have any responsibility or obligation to such DTC Participants, indirect participants or the persons for whom they act as nominee with respect to the Bonds.

Interest on the Bonds is payable on June 1, and December 1 in each year, beginning December 1, 2020 to the registered owners thereof. Interest shall be payable by check or draft of the Paying Agent mailed to the persons who were registered owners thereof as of the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the Interest Payment Date, to the addresses appearing on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent or to such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by a registered owner.

The Bonds maturing after June 1, 2026 may be called for redemption by the Issuer and paid before maturity on said date or any date thereafter, from any funds regardless of source, in whole or from time to time in part, in any order of maturity and within an annual maturity by lot. The terms of redemption shall be par, plus accrued interest to date of call.

MATURITY SCHEDULE

<u>Bonds Due</u>	<u>Amount*</u>	<u>Rate *</u>	<u>Yield *</u>	<u>Cusip #'s **</u>	<u>Bonds Due</u>	<u>Amount*</u>	<u>Rate *</u>	<u>Yield *</u>	<u>Cusip #'s **</u>
June 1, 2021	\$410,000			526282 CJ5	June 1, 2031	\$495,000			526282 CU0
June 1, 2022	370,000			526282 CK2	June 1, 2032	510,000			526282 CV8
June 1, 2023	380,000			526282 CL0	June 1, 2033	525,000			526282 CW6
June 1, 2024	395,000			526282 CM8	June 1, 2034	545,000			526282 CX4
June 1, 2025	405,000			526282 CN6	June 1, 2035	560,000			526282 CY2
June 1, 2026	420,000			526282 CP1	June 1, 2036	580,000			526282 CA9
June 1, 2027	435,000			526282 CQ9	June 1, 2037	600,000			526282 DA3
June 1, 2028	450,000			526282 CR7	June 1, 2038	615,000			526282 DB1
June 1, 2029	465,000			526282 CS5	June 1, 2039	640,000			526282 DC9
June 1, 2030	480,000			526282 CT3	June 1, 2040	660,000			526282 DD7

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

The Bonds are being offered when, as and if issued by the Issuer and accepted by the Underwriter, subject to receipt of an opinion as to legality, validity and tax exemption by Ahlers & Cooney, P.C., Des Moines, Iowa, Bond Counsel. It is expected that the Bonds in the definitive form will be available for delivery through the facilities of DTC on or about June 25, 2020. The Underwriter intends to engage in secondary market trading of the Bonds subject to applicable securities laws. The Underwriter is not obligated, however, to repurchase any of the Bonds at the request of the holder thereof.

The Date of this Official Statement is _____, 2020

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

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

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

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

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

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Official Statement, including Appendix A, contains statements which should be considered "forward-looking statements," meaning they refer to possible future events or conditions. Such statements are generally identifiable by the words such as "plan," "expect," "estimate," "budget" or similar words. THE ACHIEVEMENT OF CERTAIN RESULTS OR OTHER EXPECTATIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INVOLVE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY CAUSE ACTUAL RESULTS, PERFORMANCE OR ACHIEVEMENTS EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED BY SUCH FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. THE DISTRICT DOES NOT EXPECT OR INTEND TO UPDATE OR REVISE ANY FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN IF OR WHEN ITS EXPECTATIONS, OR EVENTS, CONDITIONS OR CIRCUMSTANCES ON WHICH SUCH STATEMENTS ARE BASED OCCUR.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT
LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IOWA
\$9,940,000* GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2020

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

This Official Statement presents certain information relating to the Lenox Community School District, Iowa (the “Issuer”), in connection with the sale of the Issuer’s General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2020 (the “Bonds”). The Bonds are being issued to provide funds to i) construct, build, furnish, and equip additions/renovations to the existing school building, including a gymnasium, fitness/weight room, wrestling room, classrooms, and related remodeling; and to renovate and improve existing facilities including windows, roofs, athletic stadium grandstands, lighting and improve the site and ii) pay costs of issuance for the Bonds. See “**SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS**” herein.

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

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

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

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

THE BONDS

General

The Bonds are dated as of the date of delivery and will bear interest at the rates to be set forth on the cover page herein, interest payable on June 1 and December 1 in each year, beginning on December 1, 2020, calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days and twelve 30-day months. Interest shall be payable by check or draft of the Paying Agent mailed to the persons who were registered owners thereof as of the fifteenth day of the month immediately preceding the Interest Payment Date, to the addresses appearing on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent or to such other address as is furnished to the Paying Agent in writing by a registered owner.

Authorization for the Issuance

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Code of Iowa, 2019, as amended, Chapter 296.

Book Entry Only System

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

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

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

* Preliminary, subject to change

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Redemption proceeds, distributions and dividend payments on the Securities will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts, upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from Issuer or Agent on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC (nor its nominee), Agent, or Issuer, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of Issuer or Agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the Securities at any time by giving

reasonable notice to Issuer or Agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, Security certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

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

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

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

Transfer and Exchange

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

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

Prepayment

Optional Prepayment: The Bonds maturing after June 1, 2026, may be called for redemption by the Issuer and paid before maturity on said date or any date thereafter, from any funds regardless of source, in whole or from time to time in part, in any order of maturity and within an annual maturity by lot. The terms of redemption shall be par, plus accrued interest to date of call.

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

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

_____ Term Bond	
<u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Date</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>
	\$

(maturity)

Selection of Bonds for Redemption Bonds subject to redemption will be selected in such order of maturity as the Issuer may direct. If less than all of the Bonds of a single maturity are to be redeemed, the Issuer will notify DTC of the particular amount of such maturity to be redeemed prior to maturity. DTC will determine by lot the amount of each Participant's interest in such

maturity to be redeemed and each Participant will then select by lot the beneficial ownership interests in such maturity to be redeemed. All prepayments shall be at a price of par plus accrued interest.

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

Source of Security for the Bonds

These Bonds are general obligations of the Issuer. The Bonds are payable from general ad valorem property taxes, without limitation of amount, levied against all taxable real property located within the District.

BONDHOLDERS' RISKS

Tax Levy Procedures

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

2013 Property Tax Legislation

During its 2013 session the Iowa Legislature enacted, and the Governor signed, Senate File 295 ("SF295"). Among other things, SF295 reduces the limit on the annual assessed value growth with respect to residential and agricultural property from 4% to 3%, reduces as a rollback the taxable value applicable to commercial, industrial and railroad property to 95% for the 2013 assessment year and 90% for the 2014 assessment year and all years thereafter, and provides a partial exemption on telecommunications property. SF295 also creates a new separate classification for multi-residential properties which were previously taxed as commercial properties, and assigns an incremental rollback percentage over several years for multi-residential properties such that the multi-residential rollback determination will match that for residential properties in the 2022 assessment year. As a result of SF295, local governments expect to experience reductions in property tax revenues over the next several fiscal years. SF295 includes state-funded replacement moneys for a portion of the expected reduction in property tax revenues to the local governments, but such replacement funding is limited in both amount and duration of availability. There can be no assurance the state-funded replacement moneys will be provided by the state, if at all, during the term the Bonds remain outstanding. The Issuer does not expect the state replacement funding to fully address the property tax reductions resulting from SF295 during the term the Bonds remain outstanding. While SF295 does not limit the legal obligation or the amount the Issuer may be required to levy for payments of debt service on the Bonds there can be no assurances that SF295 will not have a material adverse impact with respect to the Issuer's financial position.

Changes in Property Taxation

From time to time the Iowa General Assembly has altered the method of property taxation and could do so again. Any alteration in property taxation structure could affect property tax revenues available to pay the Bonds. Historically, the Iowa General Assembly has applied changes in property taxation structure on a prospective basis; however, there is no assurance that future changes in property taxation structure by the Iowa General Assembly will not be retroactive. It is impossible to predict the outcome of future property tax changes by the Iowa General Assembly or their potential impact on the Bonds and the security for the Bonds.

Matters Relating to Enforceability of Agreements

Holders of the Bonds shall have and possess all the rights of action and remedies afforded by the common law, the Constitution and statutes of the State of Iowa and of the United States of America for the enforcement of payment of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, the right to a proceeding in law or in equity by suit, action or mandamus to enforce and compel performance of the duties required by Iowa law and the Bond Resolution.

There is no Bond trustee or similar person to monitor or enforce the provisions of the resolution for the Bonds. The owners of the Bonds should, therefore, be prepared to enforce such provisions themselves if the need to do so arises. In the event of a default in the payment of principal of or interest on the Bond, there is no provision for acceleration of maturity of the principal of the Bonds. Consequently, the remedies of the owners of the Bonds (consisting primarily of an action in the nature of mandamus requiring the District and certain other public officials to perform the terms of the resolution for the Bonds) may have

to be enforced from year to year. Holders of the Bonds shall have and possess all the rights of action and remedies afforded by the common law, the Constitution and statutes of the State of Iowa and of the United States of America for the enforcement of payment of the Bond, including, but not limited to, the right to a proceeding in law or in equity by suit, action or mandamus to enforce and compel performance of the duties required by Iowa law and the Bond Resolution.

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

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

Secondary Market

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

Potential Impact of the Coronavirus

In recent months, a strain of coronavirus commonly known as COVID-19 has spread globally, negatively affecting global, state, and local economies and possibly sparking a recession. Federal, State, and local officials are taking steps to curb the spread of the virus, including providing both discretionary and mandatory guidelines and orders regarding public gatherings, and imposing mandatory closings of some businesses. The State of Iowa may suffer material adverse consequences from the continued spread of COVID-19, which could affect the amount of State revenues appropriated to municipalities, including the Issuer. The spread of the virus could reduce sales tax and other collections dependent on local business activity, which is likely to be slower

The Issuer cannot predict whether continued spread of the disease will materially impact its financial condition. The Bonds are general obligations of the Issuer secured by an unlimited ad valorem property tax as described more fully in the “Source of Security for the Bonds” herein. On March 20, 2020 the Governor of the State of Iowa issued an additional State Public Health Emergency Declaration that temporarily suspends the provisions that require the imposition of penalty and interest for the payment of property tax payments after the date due, and directs that no such penalty or interest may be imposed for the duration of the proclamation and any future extension of the suspension. The proclamation has been extended through May 27, 2020. The Issuer cannot predict whether the proclamation or any further extension thereof will have a material effect on the Issuer’s ability to collect property taxes necessary for the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds.

Pension

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 68, the School reported a liability of \$2,898,733 as of June 30, 2018 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for Iowa Public Employee Retirement System (“IPERS”). The net pension liability is the amount by which the total actuarial liability exceeds the pension plan’s net assets or fiduciary net position (essentially the market value) available for paying benefits. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Issuer’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Issuer’s share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. As of June 30, 2017, the Issuer’s collective proportion was .0435162% which was an increase of 0.000757% from its proportion measured June 30, 2016. See Issuer’s Audited Financial Statements, Appendix D, for additional information.

Rating

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

adverse effect on the market price of the Bonds.

Rating agencies are currently not regulated by any regulatory body. Future regulation of rating agencies could materially alter the methodology, rating levels, and types of ratings available, for example, and these changes, if ever, could materially affect the market value of the Bonds.

Forward-Looking Statements

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

Pending Federal Tax Legislation

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

DTC-Beneficial Owners

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

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

Risks as Employer

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

Cybersecurity

The Issuer relies on its information systems to provide security for processing, transmission and storage of confidential and other sensitive information. Security breaches, including electronic break-ins, computer viruses, attacks by hackers and similar breaches could create disruptions or shutdowns of the Issuer and the services it provides, or the unauthorized access to or disclosure of personally identifiable information and other confidential or sensitive information. Despite security measures, the Issuer may remain vulnerable to attacks by outside or internal hackers, or breaches caused by employee error, negligence or malfeasance. Any failure to maintain proper functionality and security of the Issuer’s information systems could interrupt the Issuer’s operations, damage its reputation, subject it to significant costs, liability claims or regulatory penalties, and could have a material adverse effect on the operations and financial condition of the Issuer. The Issuer does not have cyber-insurance policy. The Issuer does have a \$50,000 worth of data compromise policy. The Issuer cannot predict whether this policy will be sufficient in the event of a cyberattack.

Limitation or Delay of Remedies

There is no bond trustee or similar person to monitor or enforce the provisions of the resolution for the Bonds. The owners of the Bonds should, therefore, be prepared to enforce such provisions themselves if the need to do so arises. In the event of a default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds, there is no provision for acceleration of maturity of the principal of the Bonds. Consequently, the remedies of the owners of the Bonds (consisting primarily of an action in the nature of mandamus requiring the Issuer and certain other public officials to perform the terms of the resolutions for the Bonds) may have to be enforced from year to year.

The remedies available to the owners of the Bonds upon an event of default under the Resolution are in many respects dependent upon judicial actions which are often subject to discretion and delay. Under existing constitutional and statutory law and judicial decisions, including specifically the Bankruptcy Code, the remedies provided in the Resolution may not be readily available or may be limited. The various legal opinions to be delivered concurrently with the delivery of the Bonds and the delivery of the Resolution will be qualified as to the enforceability of the various legal instruments by limitations imposed by general principles of equity and by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

Debt Payment History

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

Redemption Prior to Maturity

In considering whether the Bonds might be redeemed prior to maturity, Bondholders should consider the information included in this Official Statement under the heading "THE BONDS." Furthermore, the Bonds are subject to optional and mandatory redemption as set forth herein. See "THE BONDS" herein.

Clean up Costs and Liens under Environmental Statutes

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

General Liability Claims

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

Project Completion; Risks of Construction

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

Damage or Destruction to District's Facilities

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

Financial Condition of the Issuer from time to time

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

Continuing Disclosure

A failure by the Issuer to comply with the continuing disclosure obligations (see "Continuing Disclosure" herein) will not constitute an event of default on the Bonds. Any such failure must be disclosed in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 adopted by

the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and may adversely affect the transferability and liquidity of the Bonds and their market price.

Suitability of Investment

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

Factors Beyond Issuer's Control

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

Other Factors

An investment in the Bonds involves an element of risk. In order to identify risk factors and make an informed investment decision, potential investors should be thoroughly familiar with this entire Official Statement (including the Appendices hereto) in order to make a judgment as to whether the Bonds are an appropriate investment.

Summary

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

LITIGATION

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

ACCOUNTANT

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

UNDERWRITING

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

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

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

THE PROJECT

The Bonds are being issued to provide funds to i) construct, build, furnish, and equip additions/renovations to the existing school building, including a gymnasium, fitness/weight room, wrestling room, classrooms, and related remodeling; and to renovate and improve existing facilities including windows, roofs, athletic stadium grandstands, lighting and improve the site and ii) pay costs of issuance for the Bonds.

SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS *

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

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TAX MATTERS

Tax Exemption

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

Subject to the Issuer's compliance with the above-referenced covenants, under present law, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, the interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and interest on the Bonds is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax.

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

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

NOT Qualified Tax Exemption Obligations

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

Discount and Premium Bonds

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

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

Other Tax Advice

In addition to the income tax consequences described above, potential investors should consider the additional tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership, and disposition of the Bonds. For instance, state income tax law may differ substantially from

state to state, and the foregoing is not intended to describe any aspect of the income tax laws of any state. Therefore, potential investors should consult their own tax advisors with respect to federal tax issues and with respect to the various state tax consequences of an investment in Bonds.

Audits

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

Reporting and Withholding

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

Tax Legislation

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

Current and future legislative proposals, including some that carry retroactive effective dates, if enacted into law, court decisions, or clarification of the Code may cause interest on the Bonds to be subject, directly or indirectly, to federal income taxation, or otherwise prevent owners of the Bonds from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. For example, on December 22, 2017, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (“TCJA”) was signed into law. For tax years beginning after December 31, 2017, the TCJA, among other things, significantly changes the income tax rates on individuals and corporations, modifies the current provisions relative to the federal alternative minimum tax on individuals, and eliminates the federal alternative minimum tax for corporations. The TCJA, or the introduction or enactment of any other legislative proposals, clarification of the Code or court decisions may also affect, perhaps significantly, the market price for, or marketability of, the Bonds. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the TCJA, as well as any pending or proposed tax legislation, as to which Bond Counsel expresses no opinion other than as set forth in its legal opinion.

The Opinion

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

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

Enforcement

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

The owners of the Bonds cannot foreclose on property within the boundaries of the Issuer or sell such property in order to pay

the debt service on the Bonds. In addition, the enforceability of the rights and remedies of owners of the Bonds may be subject to limitation as set forth in Bond Counsel's opinion. The opinion will state, in part, that the obligations of the Issuer with respect to the Bonds may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights heretofore or hereafter enacted to the extent constitutionally applicable, to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases and to the exercise by the State and its governmental bodies of the police power inherent in the sovereignty of the State and to the exercise by the United States of America of the powers delegated to it by the Constitution of the United States of America.

Bond Counsel Review

Bond Counsel has approved the language included in this "Tax Exemption and Related Considerations" Section but has not otherwise participated in the preparation of this Preliminary Official Statement and will not pass upon its accuracy, completeness or sufficiency. Bond Counsel has not examined, nor attempted to examine or verify, any of the financial or statistical statements or data contained in this Preliminary Official Statement and will express no opinion with respect thereto.

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

FINANCIAL ADVISOR

The Issuer has retained Piper Sandler & Co. as financial advisor (the "Financial Advisor") in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. The Financial Advisor has not been engaged, nor has it undertaken, to independently verify the accuracy of the Official Statement. The Financial Advisor is not a public accounting firm and has not been engaged by the Issuer to compile, review, examine or audit any information in the Official Statement in accordance with accounting standards.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

For the purpose of complying with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities Exchange Commission, as amended and interpreted from time to time (the "Rule"), the Issuer will covenant and agree, for the benefit of the registered holders or beneficial owners from time to time of the outstanding Bonds to provide reports of specified information and notice of the occurrence of certain events, if material, as hereinafter described (the "Disclosure Covenants"). The information to be provided on an annual basis, and the events as to which notice is to be given, if material, is summarized below under the caption "APPENDIX C - Form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate" herein for more information. This covenant is being made by the Issuer to assist the Underwriter(s) in complying with the Rule.

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

Pursuant to the Rule, the Issuer states the following concerning its compliance with its prior Disclosure Covenants:

For fiscal years 2014 through 2019, ahead of the audit filing deadline the Issuer filed a notice that the audit would be filed when available, along with unaudited financial statements certified to the Iowa Department of Education which contain financial information as found in the audit, but which may not be in a format similar to the audit. The audits for 2014 through 2018 were subsequently filed, but some were filed at a time that was not immediately after the audit was available. Completion of the 2019 audit has been delayed due to social distancing restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic preventing the Issuer's auditor from scheduling an in-person site visit. The 2019 audit will be filed when available."

I have reviewed the information contained within the Official Statement of the Lenox Community School District, State of Iowa, and to the best of our knowledge, information and belief said Official Statement does not contain any material misstatements of fact nor omissions of any material fact which is necessary to make the statements and information herein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading regarding the issuance of \$9,940,000* General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2020.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, STATE OF IOWA
/s/Melissa Douglas
Board Secretary

* Preliminary, subject to change

APPENDIX A - INFORMATION ABOUT THE ISSUER

**LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IOWA
DISTRICT OFFICIALS**

PRESIDENT Kurtis Christensen

BOARD MEMBERS Nicole Hogan
Seth Evans
Jamie Horton
Jake Tripp

SUPERINTENDENT Dave Henrichs

DISTRICT SECRETARY Melissa Douglas

DISTRICT TREASURER Melissa Douglas

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West Des Moines, Iowa

General Information

The Lenox Community School District is located in southwestern Iowa and encompasses approximately 137 square miles. Included within the District are the cities of Lenox and Sharpsburg as well as unincorporated portions of Taylor, Adams, Union and Ringgold Counties. Lenox serves as the primary commercial center for the District. Transportation facilities are provided by Iowa Highway 49 & 25 as well as numerous paved county roads. U.S. Interstate 35 is located approximately 40 miles east of the District. Continuing educational opportunities within easy commuting district include Southwestern Community College, Creston and Iowa Western Community College, Clarinda.

District Facilities

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

<u>Building</u>	<u>Construction Date</u>	<u>Grades Served</u>
High School	1968	7-12
Elementary	2005	PK-6

Source: the Issuer

Enrollment

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

<u>Count Date</u>	<u>Fiscal Year effective</u>	<u>Certified (Resident) ¹</u>	<u>Open Enroll In</u>	<u>Open Enroll Out</u>	<u>Total Served ²</u>
October-19	2020-21	441.3	77.2	32.0	486.5
October-18	2019-20	447.7	71.1	32.0	486.8
October-17	2018-19	460.5	58.0	25.0	493.5
October-16	2017-18	467.1	43.9	26.0	485.0
October-15	2016-17	473.0	38.4	21.0	490.4

Source: Department of Education

¹ Used for Sales Tax distribution

² Used for State Aid distribution

Staff

Presented below is a list of the District's 102 employees.

Administrators:	3	Media Specialists:	1
Teachers:	44	Nurses:	1
Teacher Aids:	13	Guidance:	1
Custodians:	4	Secretaries:	4
Food Service:	6	Transportation:	5
Other:	20	Maintenance:	0

Source: the Issuer

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)

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

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

Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement. At June 30, 2019, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	2
<u>Active employees</u>	<u>42</u>
Total	46

Total OPEB Liability – The District’s total OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2018, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date, to be \$44,770.

Actuarial Assumptions – the total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2018 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and the entry age normal actuarial cost method, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation (effective 6/30/18)	3.00%
Rates of salary increase (effective 6/30/18) including inflation	3.50%
Discount rate (effective 6/30/18) including inflation	3.87%, compounded annually
Healthcare cost trend rate (effective 6/30/18)	5.50% initial rate decreasing variably to an ultimate rate of 4.92%

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.87%, which reflects the index rate for 20-year tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher as of the measurement date.

Mortality rates are from the RP-2014 projected to 2030 using Scale MP-14, applied on a gender specific basis. Annual retirement probabilities are based on varying rates by age and turnover probabilities mirror those used by IPERS.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience studies with dates corresponding to those listed above.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability:

Total OPEB obligation – beginning of year		\$222,107
Changes for the year		
	Service Cost	29,574
	Interest	8,494
	Change in assumption	(10,810)
	Benefit Payments	(28,826)
Net Changes		(1,568)
Net OPEB obligation – end of year		\$220,539

Changes of assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.58% in fiscal year 2017 to 3.87% in fiscal year 2018.

Source: the Issuer’s Independent Audited Financial Statement

Employee Pension Plan

Plan Description. The Issuer participates in the Iowa Public Employees’ Retirement System (“IPERS”). A summary description of the IPERS plan is as follows. For more details, see APPENDIX D – AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE ISSUER.”

IPERS membership is mandatory for employees of the Issuer. The Issuer’s employees are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer defined pension plan administered by IPERS. IPERS benefits are established under Iowa Code, Chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. The Issuer’s employee who completed seven years of covered service or has reached the age of 65 while in IPERS covered employment becomes vested. If the Issuer’s employee retires before normal retirement age, the employees’ monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. IPERS provides pension benefits as well as disability benefits to Issuer employees and benefits to the employees’ beneficiaries upon the death of the eligible employee.

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

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

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

Table 1 – Issuer and Employees Contribution to IPERS.

Fiscal Year	Issuer Contribution		Issuer Employees' Contribution	
	Amount Contributed	% of Covered Payroll	Amount Contributed	% of Covered Payroll
2015	\$265,369	8.93	\$176,854	5.95
2016	274,025	8.93	182,956	5.95
2017	291,219	8.93	193,921	5.95
2018	292,317	8.93	194,769	5.95
2019	313,368	9.44	208,801	6.29

SOURCE: The Issuer

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

The following table sets forth certain information about the funding status of IPERS that has been extracted from the comprehensive annual financial reports of IPERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2019 through, and including, 2015 (collectively, the “IPERS CAFRs (2015-2019)”), and the actuarial valuation reports provided to IPERS by Cavanaugh MacDonald Consulting, LLC (collectively, the “IPERS Actuarial Reports (2015-2019)”). Additional information regarding IPERS and its latest actuarial valuations can be obtained by contacting IPERS administrative staff.

Table 2 – Funding Status of IPERS

Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets [a]	Market Value of Assets [b]	Actuarial Accrued Liability [c]	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (Actuarial Value) [c]-[a]	Funded Ratio (Actuarial Value) [a]/[c]	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (Market Value) [c]-[b]	Funded Ratio (Market Value) [b]/[c]	Covered Payroll [d]	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (Actuarial Value) [[c-a]/[d]]
2015	27,915,379,103	28,429,834,829	33,370,318,731	5,454,939,628	83.65	4,940,483,902	85.19	7,326,348,141	74.46
2016	29,033,696,587	28,326,433,656	34,619,749,147	5,586,052,560	83.86	6,293,315,491	81.82	7,556,515,720	73.92
2017	30,472,423,914	30,779,116,326	37,440,382,029	6,968,134,950	81.39	6,661,265,703	82.21	7,863,160,443	88.62
2018	31,827,755,864	32,314,588,595	38,642,833,653	6,815,077,789	82.36	6,328,245,058	83.62	7,983,219,527	79.27
2019	33,324,327,606	34,010,680,731	39,801,338,797	6,477,011,191	83.73	5,790,658,066	85.45	8,151,043,468	71.04

Source: IPERS Actuarial Reports

For a description of the assumptions used when calculating the funding status of IPERS for the fiscal year noted herein, see IPERS CAFRs

Table 3 – Recent returns of IPERS

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

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Investment Return %
2015	3.96
2016	2.15
2017	11.70
2018	7.97
2019	8.35

Net Pension Liabilities.

At June 30, 2018, the Issuer reported a liability of \$2,898,733 for its proportional share of the IPERS net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7%. The Issuer's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Issuer's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. See "**APPENDIX D-AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ISSUER-NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**" for additional information related to the Issuer's deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, actuarial assumptions, discount rate and discount rate sensitivity.

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

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

Investment of Public Funds

The Issuer invests its funds pursuant to Chapter 12B of the Code. Presented below is the District's investing activities as of March 31, 2020.

<u>Type of Investment</u>	<u>Amount Invested</u>
Local Bank Money Market	\$1,944,218.15
Local Bank Deposit Accounts	942,041.73
Local Bank Time CD's	1,751,107.80
ISJIT Money Market	669,408.51
ISJIT Time CD's	0

Source: the Issuer

Population

Presented below are population figures for the periods indicated for the cities of Lenox, Sharpsburg and Clearfield

<u>Year</u>	<u>Lenox</u>	<u>Sharpsburg</u>	<u>Clearfield</u>
2010	1,407	89	363
2000	1,401	98	371
1990	1,303	116	417
1980	1,338	114	433
1970	1,215	106	430
1960	1,178	130	504
1950	1,171	147	547

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Major Employers

Presented below is a summary of the largest employers in the District:

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Approximate Employees</u>
Lenox CSD	Education	102
Michael Foods	Food product manufacturer	250-499
Precision Idler	Steel structural manufacturer	145
Dalton Ag Products	Fertilizing equipment manufacturer	50-60
Lenox Care Center	Nursing home	20-49
Vintage Park Apartments	Residential care home	20-49
Casey's	Convenience store	20-49
Iowa Cage Free	Egg wholesalers	50-99

Source: Iowa Workforce Development/employer database

Property Tax Assessment

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

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

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Residential Rollback</u>	<u>Ag. Land & Buildings</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Multi-Residential</u>
2020-21	55.0743	81.4832	90.0000	71.2500
2019-20	56.9180	56.1324	90.0000	75.0000
2018-19	55.6209	54.4480	90.0000	78.7500
2017-18	56.9391	47.4996	90.0000	82.5000
2016-17	55.6259	46.1068	90.0000	82.5000
2015-16	55.7335	44.7021	90.0000	86.2500

Source: Iowa Department of Revenue

Property is assessed on a calendar year basis. The assessments finalized as of January 1 of each year are applied to the following fiscal year. For example, the assessments finalized on January 1, 2019 are used to calculate tax liability for the tax year starting July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Presented below are the historic property valuations of the Issuer by class of property.

Property Valuations

Actual Valuation					
Valuation as of January	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2016-17</u>
Residential:	87,186,527	85,501,636	83,568,427	68,873,733	68,349,035
Agricultural Land:	108,046,896	149,902,477	149,905,827	159,749,507	159,766,259
Ag Buildings:	8,223,223	11,351,252	10,552,254	12,693,756	12,517,144
Commercial:	8,190,841	7,989,074	8,983,746	7,478,923	6,584,735
Industrial:	17,848,696	14,169,456	11,598,397	9,254,945	9,254,945
Multiresidential:	2,558,116	2,953,446	2,910,898	2,753,560	2,751,650
Personal RE:	0	0			
Railroads:	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities:	6,078,627	5,292,115	4,534,296	4,617,531	2,948,689
Other:	0	0	0	0	0
Total Valuation:	238,132,926	277,159,456	272,053,845	265,421,955	262,172,457
Less Military:	234,126	242,612	248,168	257,428	275,948
Net Valuation:	237,898,800	276,916,844	271,805,677	265,164,527	261,896,509
TIF Valuation:	1,273,159	2,249,015	2,249,015	1,677,735	1,677,735
Utility Replacement:	8,086,684	8,030,809	6,344,102	5,653,372	5,212,633
Taxable Valuation					
Valuation as of January	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2016-17</u>
Residential:	48,017,420	48,665,827	46,481,456	39,216,070	38,019,782
Agricultural Land:	88,040,082	84,143,852	81,620,731	75,880,443	73,663,059
Ag Buildings:	6,700,543	6,371,729	5,745,491	6,029,449	5,771,247
Commercial:	7,371,757	7,190,165	8,085,370	6,731,030	5,926,262
Industrial:	15,936,511	12,527,605	10,213,660	8,161,677	9,839,412
Multiresidential:	1,822,661	2,215,088	2,292,333	2,271,689	2,373,301
Personal RE:	0	0			0
Railroads:	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities:	6,078,627	5,292,115	4,534,296	4,617,531	2,948,689
Other:	0	0	0	0	0
Total Valuation:	173,967,601	166,406,381	158,973,337	142,907,889	138,541,752
Less Military:	234,126	242,612	248,168	257,428	275,948
Net Valuation:	173,733,475	166,163,769	158,725,169	142,650,461	138,265,804
TIF Valuation:	1,273,159	2,249,015	2,249,015	1,677,735	0
Utility Replacement:	1,382,622	1,333,126	1,395,440	1,424,404	1,459,620

Valuation	Actual Valuation	% Change in Actual Valuation	Taxable Valuation	% Change in Taxable Valuation
<u>Year</u>	<u>w/ Utilities</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>w/ Utilities</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
2019	247,258,643	-13.91%	176,389,256	3.91%
2018	287,196,668	2.42%	169,745,910	4.54%
2017	280,398,794	2.90%	162,369,624	11.40%
2016	272,495,634	1.38%	145,752,600	5.58%
2015	268,786,877	3.28%	139,725,424	4.72%

Source: Iowa Department of Management

Tax Rates

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

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Operating</u>	<u>Management</u>	<u>Board PPEL</u>	<u>V PPEL</u>	<u>Playground</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Schoolhouse</u>	<u>Total Levy</u>
2020	10.28467	1.16420	0.33000	1.23016	0.00000	2.98670	0.00000	15.99573
2019	10.35414	0.99925	0.33000	1.23134	0.00000	2.68109	0.00000	15.59582
2018	10.85905	0.88149	0.33000	1.21223	0.00000	2.68500	0.00000	15.96777
2017	10.14267	1.32201	0.33000	1.19276	0.00000	2.69955	0.00000	15.68699
2016	9.63093	2.07685	0.33000	1.17290	0.00000	2.69385	0.00000	15.90453
2015	9.35476	2.41073	0.33000	1.13650	0.00000	2.67522	0.00000	15.90721

Source: Iowa Department of Management

Historic Tax Rates

Presented below are the tax rates by taxing entity for residents of the City of Lenox

Fiscal Year	City	School	College	State	Assessor	Ag Extens	Hospital	County	Transit	Total Levy
2020	13.45720	15.99573	0.89752	0.00280	0.45343	0.30735	0.00000	9.21561	0.00000	40.32964
2019	13.08918	15.59582	0.89655	0.00290	0.39160	0.30758	0.00000	9.18971	0.00000	39.47334
2018	13.82704	15.96777	1.15723	0.00310	0.42126	0.33651	0.00000	9.24453	0.00000	40.95744
2017	14.20568	15.68699	0.87444	0.00330	0.46541	0.30000	0.00000	9.05430	0.00000	40.59012
2016	14.30310	15.90453	0.79896	0.00330	0.51047	0.30000	0.00000	9.51662	0.00000	41.33698
2015	14.92121	15.90721	0.79617	0.00330	0.59007	0.30000	0.00000	9.73152	0.00000	42.24948

Source: Iowa Department of Management

Tax Collection History

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

Fiscal Year	Amount Levied	Amount Collected	Percentage Collected
2020	2,692,364	In Collection	NA
2019	2,509,784	2,511,760	100.08%
2018	2,309,233	2,294,495	99.36%
2017	2,203,460	2,205,430	100.09%
2016	2,101,175	2,099,621	99.93%
2015	2,030,301	2,043,344	100.64%

Source: the Issuer

Largest Taxpayers

Set forth in the following table are the persons or entities which represent the 2018 largest taxpayers within the Issuer, as provided by the Auditors Offices of each of said counties. No independent investigation has been made of and no representation is made herein as to the financial condition of any of the taxpayers listed below or that such taxpayers will continue to maintain their status as major taxpayers in the District. The District's tax levy is uniformly applicable to all of the properties included in the table, and thus taxes expected to be received by the District from such taxpayers will be in proportion to the assessed valuations of the properties. The total tax bill for each of the properties is dependent upon the tax levies of the other taxing entities which overlap the properties.

Taxpayer	2019 Taxable Valuation	Percent of Total
Papetti's of Iowa	\$7,030,377	3.99%
Mid American Energy Co	\$6,800,426	3.86%
Buckeye Terminals LLC	3,925,546	2.23%
Precision, Inc	1,766,106	1.00%
Dalton Ag, Inc.	1,394,217	0.79%
Klocke Children Partnership	1,215,554	0.69%
Next Generation Unlimited Corporation	1,201,895	0.68%
Frontier Telephone	1,001,561	0.57%
Kaetzel, Leo C & Kaetzel, Thelma J Living Trust	964,155	0.55%
Wurster, J & J Inc.	909,885	0.52%
	Total	14.86%

Source: County Auditor Office

(1) Utility Property Tax Replacement

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

The utility replacement tax statute states that the utility replacement tax collected by the State and allocated among local taxing entities

(including the Issuer) shall be treated as property tax when received and shall be disposed of by the county treasurer as taxes on real estate. However, utility property is not subject to the levy of property tax by political subdivisions, only the utility replacement tax and statewide property tax. It is possible that the Issuer’s authority to levy taxes to pay principal and interest on the Bonds could be adjudicated to be proportionately reduced in future years if the utility replacement tax were to be other than “taxable property” for purposes of computing the Issuer’s levy limit under Iowa Code Section 298.18, as amended from time to time. There can be no assurance that future legislation will not (i) operate to reduce the amount of debt the Issuer can issue or (ii) adversely affect the Issuer’s ability to levy taxes in the future for the payment of the principal of and interest on its outstanding debt obligations, including the Bonds.

Direct Debt

General Obligation School Bonds (Debt Service)

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

Fiscal Year	PREPAY			Total Principal	Total Interest	Total P&I
	12/8/11	12/8/11	6/25/20			
2021	260,000	-260,000	410,000	410,000	301,513	711,513
2022	270,000	-270,000	370,000	370,000	309,725	679,725
2023	275,000	-275,000	380,000	380,000	297,700	677,700
2024			395,000	395,000	285,350	680,350
2025			405,000	405,000	272,513	677,513
2026			420,000	420,000	259,350	679,350
2027			435,000	435,000	245,700	680,700
2028			450,000	450,000	231,563	681,563
2029			465,000	465,000	216,938	681,938
2030			480,000	480,000	201,825	681,825
2031			495,000	495,000	186,225	681,225
2032			510,000	510,000	170,138	680,138
2033			525,000	525,000	153,563	678,563
2034			545,000	545,000	136,500	681,500
2035			560,000	560,000	118,788	678,788
2036			580,000	580,000	100,588	680,588
2037			600,000	600,000	81,738	681,738
2038			615,000	615,000	62,238	677,238
2039			640,000	640,000	42,250	682,250
2040			660,000	660,000	21,450	681,450
Totals:	805,000	-805,000	9,940,000	9,940,000	3,695,651	13,635,651

Source: the Issuer

General Obligation School Capital Loan Notes (PPEL)

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

Anticipatory Warrants

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

School Infrastructure Sales, Services & Use Tax Revenue Bonds

The Issuer does not have any outstanding School Infrastructure Sales, Services & Use Tax Revenue Bonds, but anticipates issuing School Infrastructure Sales, Services & use Tax Revenue Bonds this fiscal year with the following anticipated structure.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>6/25/20</u>	<u>Total Principal</u>	<u>Total Interest</u>	<u>Total P&I</u>
2020		0	0	0
2021	331,000	331,000	54,656	385,656
2022	340,000	340,000	48,795	388,795
2023	345,000	345,000	43,695	388,695
2024	351,000	351,000	38,520	389,520
2025	356,000	356,000	33,255	389,255
2026	361,000	361,000	27,915	388,915
2027	367,000	367,000	22,500	389,500
2028	372,000	372,000	16,995	388,995
2029	378,000	378,000	11,415	389,415
2030	383,000	383,000	5,745	388,745
Totals:	3,584,000	3,584,000	303,491	3,887,491

Source: the Issuer

Debt Limit

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

1/1/2018 Actual Valuation:	287,196,668
X	0.05
Statutory Debt Limit:	14,359,833
Total General Obligation Debt:	9,940,000
Total Lease Purchases:	
Total Loan Agreements:	
Capital Leases:	
Total Debt Subject to Limit:	9,940,000
Percentage of Debt Limit Obligated:	69.22%

It has not been determined whether the District's Sales Tax Revenue Bonds do or do not count against the constitutional debt limit. If the Bonds do count against the constitutional debt limit, the amount of debt subject to the debt limit would increase \$3,584,000* to be \$13,524,000*, or 94.18% * of the statutory debt limit.

* Preliminary, subject to change
 Source: Iowa Department of Management
 (1) Utility Property Tax Replacement

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

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

Overlapping & Underlying Debt

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

<u>Taxing Authority</u>	<u>Outstanding Debt</u>	<u>2018 Taxable Valuation</u>	<u>Taxable Value Within Issuer</u>	<u>Percentage Applicable</u>	<u>Amount Applicable</u>
City of Lenox	255,000	44,693,123	44,693,123	100.00%	255,000
City of Sharpsburg	0	971,760	971,760	100.00%	0
Adams County	2,050,000	394,165,413	38,080,469	9.66%	198,051
Ringgold County	1,330,000	367,753,021	4,790,882	1.30%	17,327
Taylor County	4,445,000	410,247,696	125,315,777	30.55%	1,357,786
Union County	13,530,000	548,529,959	1,558,782	0.28%	38,449
Southwestern Community College	8,034,574	3,544,821,793	169,745,910	4.79%	384,740
Green Hills Area Education Agency	0	14,289,611,962	169,745,910	1.19%	0

Total Overlapping & Underlying Debt: \$2,251,353

Source: Iowa Department of Management

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Actual Value of Property, 2019:	\$247,258,643
Taxable Value of Property, 2019:	176,389,256
Direct General Obligation Debt:	\$9,940,000
Overlapping Debt:	2,251,353
Direct & Overlapping General Obligation Debt:	\$12,191,353
Population, 2010 US Census:	2,106
Direct Debt per Capita:	\$4,719.85
Total Debt per Capita:	\$5,788.87
Direct Debt to Taxable Valuation:	5.64%
Total Debt to Taxable Valuation:	6.91%
Direct Debt to Actual Valuation:	4.02%
Total Debt to Actual Valuation:	4.93%
Actual Valuation per Capita:	\$117,407
Taxable Valuation per Capita:	\$83,756

Source: Iowa Department of Management

APPENDIX B – FORM OF LEGAL OPINION

DRAFT

We hereby certify that we have examined a certified transcript of the proceedings of the Board of Directors of the Lenox Community School District in the Counties of Taylor, Adams, Ringgold and Union, State of Iowa, and acts of administrative officers of the School District (the "Issuer"), relating to the issuance of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2020, by said Issuer, dated the date of delivery, in the denominations of \$5,000 or multiples thereof, in the aggregate amount of \$_____ (the "Bonds").

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.

APPENDIX C – FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

DRAFT

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the "Disclosure Certificate") is executed and delivered by the Lenox Community School District, State of Iowa (the "Issuer"), in connection with the issuance of \$ _____ General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2020 (the "Bonds") dated the date of delivery. The Bonds are being issued pursuant to a Resolution of the Issuer approved on June 10, 2020 (the "Resolution"). The Issuer covenants and agrees as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

"Official Statement" shall mean the Issuer's Official Statement for the Bonds, dated _____, 2020.

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

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

"State" shall mean the State of Iowa.

Section 3. Provision of Annual Financial Information.

- a. The Issuer shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to, not later than the 15th day of April of each year following the close of the Issuer's fiscal year (presently June 30th), commencing with information for the 2019/2020 fiscal year, provide to the National Repository an Annual Financial Information filing consistent with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Certificate. The Annual Financial Information filing must be submitted in such format as is required by the MSRB (currently in "searchable PDF" format). The Annual Financial Information filing may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package. The Annual Financial Information filing may cross-reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure

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

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

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

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

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

Section 5. Reporting of Significant Events.

Pursuant to the provisions of this Section, the Issuer shall give, or cause to be given, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds in a timely manner not later than 10 Business Days after the day of the occurrence of the event:

- i. Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- ii. Non-payment related defaults, if material;
- iii. Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- iv. Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements relating to the Bonds reflecting financial difficulties;
- v. Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- vi. Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax-exempt status of the Series Bonds, or material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the Bonds;
- vii. Modifications to rights of Holders of the Bonds, if material;
- viii. Bond calls (excluding sinking fund mandatory redemptions), if material, and tender offers;
- ix. Defeasances of the Bonds;
- x. Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material;
- xi. Rating changes on the Bonds;
- xii. Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Issuer;
- xiii. The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Issuer or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material;
- xiv. Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
- xv. Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- xvi. Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

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

Section 6. Additional Filing. The Issuer's audited financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 were not available for inclusion in the Final Official Statement. The Issuer agrees to file these audited financial statements in the same manner as the Annual Financial Information when they become available.

Section 7. Termination of Reporting Obligation. The Issuer's obligations under this Disclosure Certificate with respect to each Series of Bonds shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds of that Series or upon the Issuer's receipt of an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel to the effect that, because of legislative action or final judicial action or administrative actions or proceedings, the failure of the Issuer to comply with the terms hereof will not cause Participating Underwriters to be in violation of the Rule or other applicable requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Section 8. Dissemination Agent. The Issuer may, from time to time, appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate, and may discharge any such Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible in any manner for the content of any notice or report prepared by the Issuer pursuant to this Disclosure Certificate. The initial Dissemination Agent shall be the Issuer.

Section 9. Amendment; Waiver. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer may amend this Disclosure Certificate, and any provision of this Disclosure Certificate may be waived, provided that the following conditions are satisfied:

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

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

Section 10. Additional Information. Nothing in this Disclosure Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Certificate or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Financial Information filing or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Certificate. If the Issuer chooses to include any information in any Annual Financial Information filing or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Certificate, the Issuer shall have no obligation under this Certificate to update such information or include it in any future Annual Financial Information filing or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

Section 11. Default. In the event of a failure of the Issuer to comply with any provision of this Disclosure Certificate, any Holder or Beneficial Owner of the Bonds may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the Issuer to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Certificate. Direct, indirect, consequential and punitive damages shall not be recoverable by any person for any default hereunder and are hereby waived to the extent permitted by law. A default under this Disclosure Certificate shall not be deemed an event of default under the Resolution, and the sole remedy under this Disclosure Certificate in the event of any failure of the Issuer to comply with this Disclosure Certificate shall be an action to compel performance.

Section 12. Duties, Immunities and Liabilities of Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Disclosure Certificate, and the Issuer agrees to indemnify and save the Dissemination Agent, its officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless against any loss, expense and liabilities which it may incur arising out of or in the exercise or performance of its powers and duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding liabilities due to the Dissemination Agent's negligence or willful misconduct. The obligations of the Issuer under this Section shall survive resignation or removal of the Dissemination Agent and payment of the Bonds.

Section 13. Beneficiaries. This Disclosure Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Issuer, the Dissemination Agent, the Participating Underwriters and Holders and Beneficial Owners from time to time of the Bonds, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

Section 14. Rescission Rights. The Issuer hereby reserves the right to rescind this Disclosure Certificate without the consent of the Holders in the event the Rule is repealed by the S.E.C. or is ruled invalid by a federal court and the time to appeal from such decision has expired. In the event of a partial repeal or invalidation of the Rule, the Issuer hereby reserves the right to rescind those provisions of this Disclosure Certificate that were required by those parts of the Rule that are so repealed or invalidated.

Date: Date of Delivery

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT, STATE OF IOWA

By: _____
President of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:

By: _____
Secretary of the Board of Directors

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE TO NATIONAL REPOSITORY OF FAILURE
TO FILE ANNUAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Name of Issuer: Lenox Community School District, Iowa.

Name of Bond Issue: \$_____ General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2020

Dated Date of Issue: Date of Delivery

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

Dated: _____ day of _____, 20__.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT, STATE OF IOWA

By: _____
Its: _____

APPENDIX D – AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ISSUER

This Appendix contains the entire 2018 audited financial statement of the issuer. The Auditor of State of the State of Iowa (the "State Auditor") maintains a webpage that contains prior years' audits of city, county, school district and community college, including audits of the Issuer, which can be found at the following link <http://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/index.html>.

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LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2018

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Lenox Community School District

Officials

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Board of Education		
(Before September Election)		
Kurtis Christensen	President	2017
Todd Barker	Vice President	2017
Nicole Hogan	Board Member	2017
Gary Tullberg	Board Member	2019
Kurt Stoaks	Board Member	2019
(After September Election)		
Kurtis Christensen	President	2021
Gary Tullberg	Vice President	2019
Nicole Hogan	Board Member	2021
Jamie Horton	Board Member	2021
Kurt Stoaks	Board Member	2019
School Officials		
David Henrichs	Superintendent	2018
Paula Horton	Business Manager	2018
Wilson, Hanson & Associates	Attorney	2018

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Education of Lenox Community School District:

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 Lenox Community School District, Lenox, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements 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 U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

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 Lenox Community School District as of June 30, 2018, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Members American Institute & Iowa Society of Certified Public Accountants

Emphasis of a Matter

As discussed in Note 13 to the financial statements, Lenox Community School District adopted new accounting guidance related to Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Budgetary Comparison Information, the Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of Changes in the District's Total OPEB liability, Related Ratios and Notes on pages 7 through 16 and 44 through 49 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 which 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 U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Lenox Community School District's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the third paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the nine years ended June 30, 2017 (which are not presented herein) and expressed unmodified opinions on those financial statements. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 5 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. 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 U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated May 21, 2019, on our consideration of Lenox Community School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering Lenox Community School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nolte, Cornman & Johnson PC". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

NOLTE, CORNMAN & JOHNSON, P.C.

May 21, 2019
Newton, Iowa

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Lenox Community School District provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow.

2018 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- General Fund revenues increased from \$5,566,382 in fiscal year 2017 to \$5,774,239 in fiscal year 2018, while General Fund expenditures increased from \$5,314,429 in fiscal year 2017 to \$5,403,436 in fiscal 2018. The District's General Fund balance increase from \$1,352,187 at June 30, 2017 to \$1,722,990 at June 30, 2018, a 27.42% increase during the year.
- The increase in General Fund revenues was attributable to an increase in local source revenues received in fiscal year 2018. The increase in expenditures is primarily due to an increase in negotiated salaries and benefits paid to employees for fiscal year 2018.
- The District's total net position increased from a restated, \$6,277,847 at July 1, 2017 to \$7,407,141 at June 30, 2018. Total revenues increased from \$7,219,039 in fiscal year 2017 to \$7,412,279 in fiscal year 2018, a 2.68% increase, while total expenses increased from \$6,455,128 in fiscal year 2017 to \$6,282,985 in fiscal year 2018, an 2.67% decrease compared to the prior year.
- The District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, during fiscal year 2018. The beginning net position for governmental activities and business type activities were restated by \$159,553 and \$4,300, respectively, to retroactively report the increase in the OPEB liability as of July 1, 2017. OPEB expense for fiscal year 2017 and deferred outflows of resources at June 30, 2017 were not restated because the information needed to restate those amounts was not available.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

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

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

The Government-wide Financial Statements consist of a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. These provide information about the activities of Lenox Community School District as a whole and present an overall view of the District's finances.

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

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

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the District's budget for the year, the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability and related contributions, as well as presenting the Schedule of Changes in the District's Total OPEB Liability, Related Ratios and Notes.

Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental funds and combining schedules for the Capital Projects Fund.

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

Figure A-1
Lenox Community School District Annual Financial Report

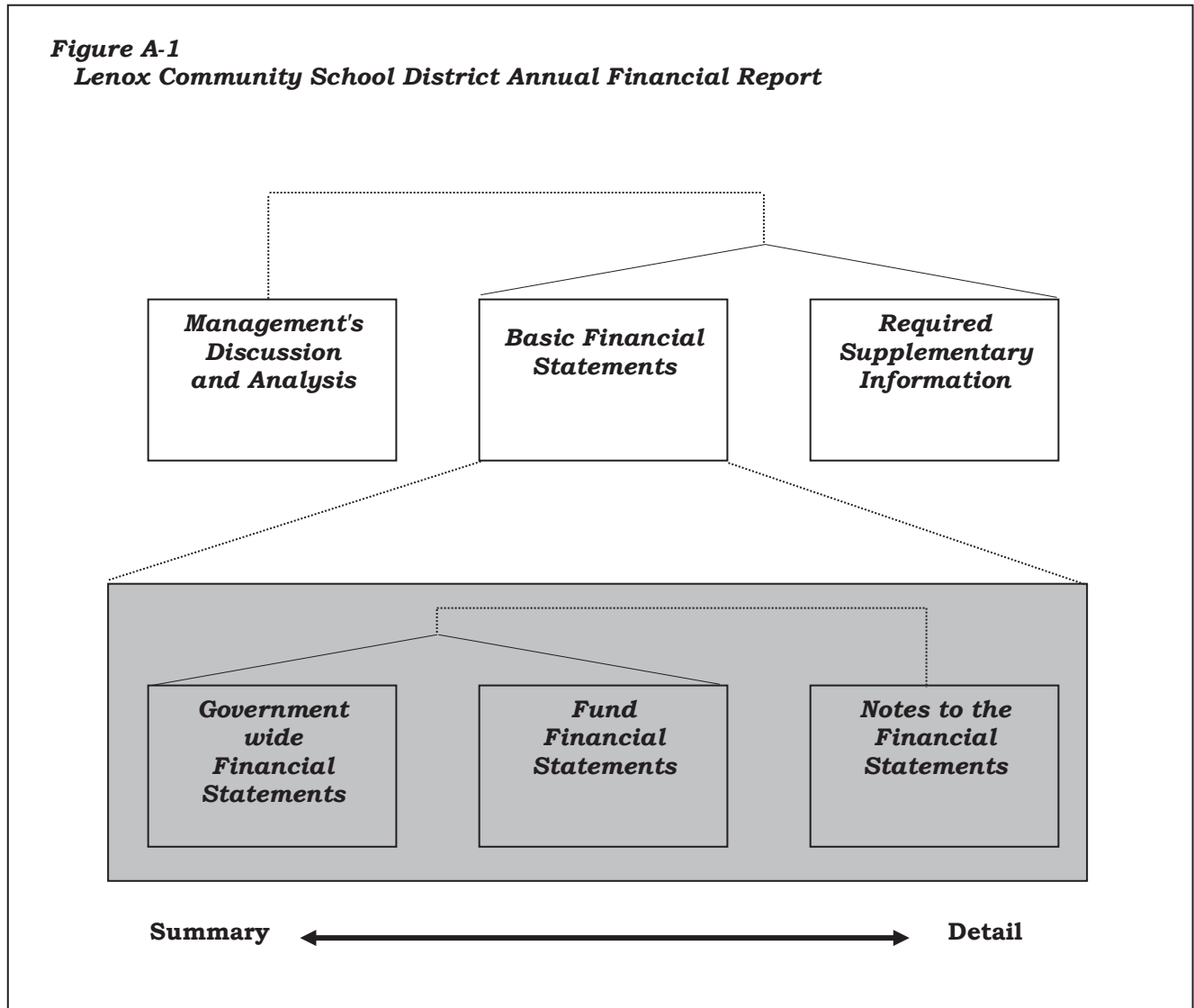


Figure A-2 summarizes the major features of the District’s financial statements, including the portion of the District’s activities they cover and the types of information they contain.

Figure A-2				
Major Features of the Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements				
	Government-wide Statements	Fund Statements		
		Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds	Fiduciary Funds
Scope	Entire district (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the district that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as special education and building maintenance	Activities the district operates similar to private businesses: food service	Instances in which the district administers resources on behalf of someone else, such as scholarship programs
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 fund 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 resources 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	Generally assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term; funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can
Type of deferred outflow / inflow information	Consumption/acquisition of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period	Consumption/ acquisition of fund balance that is applicable to a future reporting period	Consumption/ acquisition of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period	Consumption/ acquisition of net position that is applicable to a future reporting period.
Type of inflow/ outflow information	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due during the year or soon thereafter	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	All additions and deductions during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

REPORTING THE DISTRICT’S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

Fund Financial Statements

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

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

The District has three kinds of funds:

- 1) *Governmental funds*: Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs.

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

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

- 2) *Proprietary funds*: Services for which the District charges a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the government-wide financial statements. The District's Enterprise Fund, one type of proprietary fund, is the same as its business type activities, but provides more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The District enterprise fund is the School Nutrition Fund. The District's Internal Service Fund, another type of proprietary fund, is the same as the governmental activities, but provides more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The District's Internal Service Fund is used to account for the employee flex benefits plan.

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

3) *Fiduciary funds*: The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others. These funds include Private Purpose Trust and Agency Funds.

- Private Purpose Trust Fund - The District accounts for outside donations for scholarships for individual students in this fund.
- Agency Fund -These are funds through which the District administers and accounts for certain federal and/or state grants on behalf of other Districts and certain revenue collected for District employee purchases of pop and related expenditures.

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

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

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

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Figure A-3 below provides a summary of the District's net position at June 30, 2018 compared to June 30, 2017.

	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total District		Total Change
	June 30, 2017		June 30, 2017		June 30, 2017		June 30, 2017-18
	2018	(not restated)	2018	(not restated)	2018	(not restated)	2017-18
Current and other assets	\$ 6,999,923	5,863,741	82,619	60,273	7,082,542	5,924,014	19.56%
Capital assets	6,855,512	6,837,818	44,108	47,629	6,899,620	6,885,447	0.21%
Total assets	13,855,435	12,701,559	126,727	107,902	13,982,162	12,809,461	9.15%
Deferred outflows of resources	848,058	747,267	26,950	20,611	875,008	767,878	13.95%
Long-term liabilities	3,932,456	3,952,890	96,816	84,319	4,029,272	4,037,209	-0.20%
Other liabilities	796,717	696,522	46,477	38,560	843,194	735,082	14.71%
Total liabilities	4,729,173	4,649,412	143,293	122,879	4,872,466	4,772,291	2.10%
Deferred inflows of resources	2,575,489	2,361,592	2,074	1,756	2,577,563	2,363,348	9.06%
Net position:							
Net investment in capital assets	5,945,512	5,559,917	44,108	47,629	5,989,620	5,607,546	6.81%
Restricted	2,147,861	1,597,735	-	-	2,147,861	1,597,735	34.43%
Unrestricted	(694,542)	(719,830)	(35,798)	(43,751)	(730,340)	(763,581)	4.35%
Total net position	\$ 7,398,831	6,437,822	8,310	3,878	7,407,141	6,441,700	14.99%

Prior to restatement, the District's total net position increased by \$965,441, or 14.99% over the prior year. The largest portion of the District's net position is invested in capital assets (e.g. land, infrastructure, buildings and equipment), less of related debt. The debt related to the invested in capital assets is liquidated with sources other than capital assets.

Restricted net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation on how they can be used. The District's restricted net position increased \$550,126, or 34.43% from the prior year. The increase in restricted net position was primarily due to the increase in the amount restricted for school infrastructure and physical plant and equipment.

Unrestricted net position - is the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements - increased \$33,241, or 4.35%. The increase in unrestricted net position was primarily a result of the increase in the District's unassigned General Fund balance.

Figure A-4 shows the changes in net position for the year ended June 30, 2018 compared to the year ended June 30, 2017.

	Figure A-4						
	Changes in Net Position						
	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total District		Total Change
	2018	2017 (not restated)	2018	2017 (not restated)	2018	2017 (not restated)	2017-18
Revenues:							
Program revenues:							
Charges for services	\$ 820,199	801,781	112,596	105,338	932,795	907,119	2.83%
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest	489,268	480,072	211,304	189,283	700,572	669,355	4.66%
General revenues:							
Property tax	2,295,283	2,205,429	-	-	2,295,283	2,205,429	4.07%
Income surtax	94,070	101,410	-	-	94,070	101,410	-7.24%
Statewide sales, services and use tax	435,134	452,769	-	-	435,134	452,769	-3.89%
Unrestricted state grants	2,853,952	2,827,259	-	-	2,853,952	2,827,259	0.94%
Unrestricted investment earnings	16,591	9,737	71	77	16,662	9,814	69.78%
Other	83,255	45,357	556	527	83,811	45,884	82.66%
Total revenues	<u>7,087,752</u>	<u>6,923,814</u>	<u>324,527</u>	<u>295,225</u>	<u>7,412,279</u>	<u>7,219,039</u>	<u>2.68%</u>
Program expenses:							
Instruction	3,976,797	4,031,718	-	-	3,976,797	4,031,718	-1.36%
Support services	1,567,510	1,660,472	38,070	35,537	1,605,580	1,696,009	-5.33%
Non-instructional programs	-	-	277,725	300,884	277,725	300,884	-7.70%
Other expenses	422,883	426,517	-	-	422,883	426,517	-0.85%
Total expenses	<u>5,967,190</u>	<u>6,118,707</u>	<u>315,795</u>	<u>336,421</u>	<u>6,282,985</u>	<u>6,455,128</u>	<u>-2.67%</u>
Change in net position	1,120,562	805,107	8,732	(41,196)	1,129,294	763,911	47.83%
Net position beginning of year, as restated	<u>6,278,269</u>	<u>5,632,715</u>	<u>(422)</u>	<u>45,074</u>	<u>6,277,847</u>	<u>5,677,789</u>	<u>10.57%</u>
Net position end of year	<u>\$ 7,398,831</u>	<u>6,437,822</u>	<u>8,310</u>	<u>3,878</u>	<u>7,407,141</u>	<u>6,441,700</u>	<u>14.99%</u>

In fiscal year 2018, property tax, income surtax, statewide sales, services and use tax, and unrestricted state grants accounted for 80.12% of the revenue from governmental activities while charges for service and operating grants, contributions and restricted interest accounted for 99.80% of the revenue from business type activities.

The District's total revenues were approximately \$7.41 million, of which approximately \$7.09 million was for governmental activities and approximately \$0.32 million was for business type activities.

As shown in Figure A-4, the District as a whole experienced a 2.68% increase in revenues and a 2.67% decrease in expenses. Property tax increased approximately \$89,854 contributing to the increase in revenues. The decrease in expenses primarily occurred in the support service functional area.

Governmental Activities

Revenues for governmental activities were \$7,087,752 and expenses were \$5,967,190.

The following table presents the total and net cost of the District’s major governmental activities: instruction, support services and other expenses for the year ended June 30, 2018 compared to those expenses for the year ended June 30, 2017.

	Total Cost of Services			Net Cost of Services		
	2018	2017 (not restated)	Change 2017-18	2018	2017 (not restated)	Change 2017-18
Instruction	\$ 3,976,797	4,031,718	-1.36%	3,010,579	3,072,624	-2.02%
Support services	1,567,510	1,660,472	-5.60%	1,421,494	1,531,529	-7.18%
Other expenses	422,883	426,517	-0.85%	225,650	232,701	-3.03%
Totals	<u>\$ 5,967,190</u>	<u>6,118,707</u>	<u>-2.48%</u>	<u>4,657,723</u>	<u>4,836,854</u>	<u>-3.70%</u>

For the year ended June 30, 2018:

- The cost financed by users of the District’s programs was \$820,199.
- Federal and state governments, along with local sources, subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions totaling \$489,268.
- The net cost of governmental activities was financed with \$2,295,283 in property tax, \$94,070 in income surtax, \$435,134 in statewide sales, services and use tax, \$2,853,952 in unrestricted state grants, \$16,591 in interest income and \$83,255 in other general revenues.

Business Type Activities

Revenues for the District’s business type activities during the year ended June 30, 2018 were \$324,527, representing a 9.93% increase over the prior year, while expenses totaled \$315,795, a 6.13% decrease over the prior year. The District’s business type activities include the School Nutrition Fund. Revenues of these activities were mainly comprised of charges for service, federal and state reimbursements and investment income.

INDIVIDUAL FUND ANALYSIS

As previously noted, Lenox Community School District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds, as well. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$3,568,151 above last year’s ending fund balances of \$2,722,429. The primary reason for the increase in combined fund balances during fiscal year 2018 is the increase in the General Fund balance.

Governmental Fund Highlights

- The District’s General Fund balance increased from \$1,352,187 at June 30, 2017 to \$1,722,990 at June 30, 2018. Revenues increased \$207,857, or 3.73%, from the prior year,

mainly due to increases in local source revenues received. Instructional staff expenditures increased during fiscal year 2018 contributing to a 1.67% increase in expenditures. Total revenues exceeded expenditures which resulted in a 27.42% increase in fund balance during the year.

- The Management Levy Fund balance increased \$3,072, or .28%, from \$1,099,455 at June 30, 2017 to \$1,102,527 at June 30, 2018.
- The Capital Projects Fund balance increased from \$227,087 at June 30, 2017 to \$693,123 at June 30, 2018. The primary reason for the increase in fund balance is a decrease in construction expenditures.
- The Debt Service Fund balance increased from \$13,080 at June 30, 2017 to \$14,838 at June 30, 2018, an increase of 13.44%. The increase is due to an increase in local tax.

Proprietary Fund Highlights

The School Nutrition Fund net position increased from a deficit, \$422 restated at July 1, 2017 to \$8,310 at June 30, 2018, representing an increase of 2069.19%.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The District's revenues were \$123,039 more than budgeted revenues, a variance of 1.69%. The most significant variance resulted from the District receiving less from state sources than originally anticipated.

Total expenditures were less than budgeted, primarily to the District's budget for the General Fund. It is the District's practice to budget expenditures at the maximum authorized spending authority for the General Fund. The District then manages or controls General Fund spending through its line-item budget. As a result, the District's certified budget should always exceed actual expenditures for the year.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2018, the District had invested \$6,899,620, net of accumulated depreciation, in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, athletic facilities, computers, audio-visual equipment and transportation equipment. (See Figure A-6) More detailed information about capital assets is available in Note 3 to the financial statements. Depreciation expense for the year was \$305,232.

The original cost of the District's capital assets was \$10,307,719. Governmental funds accounted for \$10,187,790 with the remainder of \$119,929 in the Proprietary, School Nutrition Fund.

The largest percentage change occurred in capital asset activity during the year occurred in the construction in progress category. The District's construction in progress totaled \$37,742 at June 30, 2018, compared to \$0 reported at June 30, 2017. This increase resulted from the start of an air conditioning project.

Figure A-6							
Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation							
	Governmental Activities		Business Type Activities		Total District		Total Change
	June 30,		June 30,		June 30,		June 30,
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2017-18
Land	\$ 50,521	50,521	-	-	50,521	50,521	0.00%
Construction in progress	37,742	-	-	-	37,742	-	100.00%
Land improvements	804,742	714,309	-	-	804,742	714,309	12.66%
Buildings	5,718,405	5,791,098	-	-	5,718,405	5,791,098	-1.26%
Machinery and equipment	244,102	281,890	44,108	47,746	288,210	329,636	-12.57%
Total	\$ 6,855,512	6,837,818	44,108	47,746	6,899,620	6,885,564	0.20%

Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 2018, the District had \$910,000 in general obligation and other long-term debt outstanding. This represents a decrease of 28.79% from last year. (See Figure A-7) More detailed information about the District's long-term liabilities is available in Note 4 to the financial statements.

The District had outstanding general obligation bonds of \$910,000 at June 30, 2018, payable from the Debt Service Fund.

Figure A-7			
Outstanding Long-Term Obligations			
	Total District		Total Change
	June 30,		June 30,
	2018	2017	2018
General obligation bonds	\$ 910,000	1,275,000	-28.63%
Mower lease	-	2,901	-100.00%
Total	\$ 910,000	1,277,901	-28.79%

ECONOMIC FACTORS BEARING ON THE DISTRICT'S FUTURE

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

- Property valuations within the District have increased as a result of an increase in new home construction, the erection of wind turbines, and recent taxable valuation adjustments made by the Taylor county Assessor.
- The rising cost of health care coverage will continue to increase the Lenox Community School District's employer benefit costs during fiscal year 2018.
- Negotiated wage increase for the District staff will increase the Lenox Community School District's payroll costs.
- The larger employers within the district will continue to be Cox Manufacturing, Michael Foods, Precision Pulley & Idler, and the Lenox Community School District. If one of more of these major employers should cut back their workforce or eliminate operations, the district's financial health would be significantly affected in a negative way.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Paula Horton, Business Manager, Lenox Community School District, 600 South Locust, Lenox, Iowa, 50851.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2018

	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 3,873,135	73,806	3,946,941
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Delinquent	13,376	-	13,376
Succeeding year	2,509,784	-	2,509,784
Income surtax	111,734	-	111,734
Accounts	3,500	352	3,852
Due from other governments	488,432	-	488,432
Internal balances	(38)	38	-
Inventories	-	8,423	8,423
Capital assets not being depreciated:			
Land and construction in progress	88,263	-	88,263
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation			
Buildings, land improvements and machinery and equipment	6,767,249	44,108	6,811,357
Total assets	13,855,435	126,727	13,982,162
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Pension related deferred outflows	848,058	26,950	875,008
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	216,350	-	216,350
Salaries and benefits payable	578,571	42,508	621,079
Interest payable	1,796	-	1,796
Unearned revenue	-	3,969	3,969
Long-term liabilities:			
Portion due within one year:			
General obligation bonds payable	250,000	-	250,000
Portion due after one year:			
General obligation bonds payable	660,000	-	660,000
Net pension liability	2,810,032	88,701	2,898,733
Net OPEB liability	212,424	8,115	220,539
Total liabilities	4,729,173	143,293	4,872,466
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Pension related deferred inflows	65,705	2,074	67,779
Unavailable property tax revenue	2,509,784	-	2,509,784
Total deferred inflows of resources	2,575,489	2,074	2,577,563
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	5,945,512	44,108	5,989,620
Restricted for:			
Categorical funding	304,496	-	304,496
Debt service	13,042	-	13,042
Management levy purposes	1,102,527	-	1,102,527
Student activities	34,673	-	34,673
School infrastructure	324,290	-	324,290
Physical plant and equipment	368,833	-	368,833
Unrestricted	(694,542)	(35,798)	(730,340)
Total net position	\$ 7,398,831	8,310	7,407,141

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		Total
	Expenses	Charges for Service	Operating Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest	Govern- mental Activities	Business Type Activities	
Functions/Programs:						
Governmental activities:						
Instruction:						
Regular	\$ 2,284,493	384,010	22,697	(1,877,786)	-	(1,877,786)
Special	661,211	198,604	23,295	(439,312)	-	(439,312)
Other	1,031,093	127,295	210,317	(693,481)	-	(693,481)
	<u>3,976,797</u>	<u>709,909</u>	<u>256,309</u>	<u>(3,010,579)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,010,579)</u>
Support services:						
Student	88,984	9,647	-	(79,337)	-	(79,337)
Instructional staff	248,585	-	3,603	(244,982)	-	(244,982)
Administration	653,325	100,470	32,123	(520,732)	-	(520,732)
Operation and maintenance of plant	339,285	-	-	(339,285)	-	(339,285)
Transportation	237,331	173	-	(237,158)	-	(237,158)
	<u>1,567,510</u>	<u>110,290</u>	<u>35,726</u>	<u>(1,421,494)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,421,494)</u>
Long-term debt interest	24,147	-	-	(24,147)	-	(24,147)
Other expenses:						
AEA flowthrough	197,233	-	197,233	-	-	-
Depreciation(unallocated)*	201,503	-	-	(201,503)	-	(201,503)
	<u>398,736</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>197,233</u>	<u>(201,503)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(201,503)</u>
Total governmental activities	<u>5,967,190</u>	<u>820,199</u>	<u>489,268</u>	<u>(4,657,723)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,657,723)</u>
Business type activities:						
Support services:						
Administration	38,070	-	-	-	(38,070)	(38,070)
Non-instructional programs:						
Food service operations	277,725	112,596	211,304	-	46,175	46,175
Total business type activities	<u>315,795</u>	<u>112,596</u>	<u>211,304</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,105</u>	<u>8,105</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,282,985</u>	<u>932,795</u>	<u>700,572</u>	<u>(4,657,723)</u>	<u>8,105</u>	<u>(4,649,618)</u>
General Revenues and Transfers:						
Local tax levied for:						
General purposes				\$ 1,682,862	-	1,682,862
Capital outlay				223,435	-	223,435
Debt service				388,986	-	388,986
Income surtax				94,070	-	94,070
Statewide sales, services and use tax				435,134	-	435,134
Unrestricted state grants				2,853,952	-	2,853,952
Unrestricted investment earnings				16,591	71	16,662
Other				83,255	556	83,811
Total general revenues and transfers				<u>5,778,285</u>	<u>627</u>	<u>5,778,912</u>
Change in net position				1,120,562	8,732	1,129,294
Net position beginning of year, as restated				6,278,269	(422)	6,277,847
Net position end of year				<u>\$ 7,398,831</u>	<u>8,310</u>	<u>7,407,141</u>

* This amount excludes the depreciation that is included in the direct expense of various programs.

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2018

	General	Management Levy	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Nonmajor: Student Activity	Total
Assets						
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 1,996,510	1,101,789	711,701	13,129	34,673	3,857,802
Receivables:						
Property tax:						
Delinquent	9,097	738	1,292	2,249	-	13,376
Succeeding year	1,660,941	160,001	253,514	435,328	-	2,509,784
Income surtax	93,112	-	18,622	-	-	111,734
Accounts	3,500	-	-	-	-	3,500
Due from other governments	451,575	-	36,857	-	-	488,432
Total assets	\$ 4,214,735	1,262,528	1,021,986	450,706	34,673	6,984,628
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances						
Liabilities:						
Due to other funds	\$ 38	-	-	-	-	38
Accounts payable	159,083	-	56,727	540	-	216,350
Salaries and benefits payable	578,571	-	-	-	-	578,571
Total liabilities	737,692	-	56,727	540	-	794,959
Deferred inflows of resources:						
Unavailable revenues:						
Succeeding year property tax	1,660,941	160,001	253,514	435,328	-	2,509,784
Income surtax	93,112	-	18,622	-	-	111,734
Total deferred inflows of resources	1,754,053	160,001	272,136	435,328	-	2,621,518
Fund balances:						
Restricted for:						
Categorical funding	304,496	-	-	-	-	304,496
Debt service	-	-	-	14,838	-	14,838
Management levy purposes	-	1,102,527	-	-	-	1,102,527
Student activities	-	-	-	-	34,673	34,673
School infrastructure	-	-	324,290	-	-	324,290
Physical plant and equipment	-	-	368,833	-	-	368,833
Unassigned	1,418,494	-	-	-	-	1,418,494
Total fund balances	1,722,990	1,102,527	693,123	14,838	34,673	3,568,151
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 4,214,735	1,262,528	1,021,986	450,706	34,673	6,984,628

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 JUNE 30, 2018

Total fund balances of governmental funds (page 20)		\$ 3,568,151
 <i>Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:</i>		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds.		6,855,512
Accounts receivable income surtax is not yet available to finance expenditures of the current year and, therefore, is recognized as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds.		111,734
Blending of the Internal Service Fund to be reflected on an entity-wide basis.		15,333
Accrued interest payable on long-term liabilities is not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, is not reported as a liability in the governmental funds.		(1,796)
Pension related deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds, as follows:		
Deferred outflows of resources	\$ 848,058	
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>(65,705)</u>	782,353
Long-term liabilities, including general obligation bonds payable, net pension liability and total OPEB liability are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds.		<u>(3,932,456)</u>
Net position of governmental activities (page 18)		<u><u>\$ 7,398,831</u></u>

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	General	Management Levy	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Nonmajor: Student Activities	Total
Revenues:						
Local sources:						
Local tax	\$ 1,644,774	126,232	241,064	388,986	-	2,401,056
Tuition	556,585	-	-	-	-	556,585
Other	235,320	2,647	1,426	216	127,295	366,904
State sources	3,141,758	1,617	437,963	4,941	-	3,586,279
Federal sources	188,631	-	-	-	-	188,631
Total revenues	5,767,068	130,496	680,453	394,143	127,295	7,099,455
Expenditures:						
Current:						
Instruction:						
Regular	2,242,983	36,729	-	-	-	2,279,712
Special	638,685	-	-	-	-	638,685
Other	888,625	-	-	-	123,242	1,011,867
	3,770,293	36,729	-	-	123,242	3,930,264
Support services:						
Student	87,910	-	-	-	-	87,910
Instructional staff	238,834	-	-	-	-	238,834
Administration	609,616	6,051	5,372	-	-	621,039
Operation and maintenance of plant	350,342	68,333	10,661	-	-	429,336
Transportation	149,208	16,311	4,900	-	-	170,419
	1,435,910	90,695	20,933	-	-	1,547,538
Capital outlay	-	-	193,484	-	-	193,484
Long-term debt:						
Principal	-	-	-	367,901	-	367,901
Interest and fiscal charges	-	-	-	24,484	-	24,484
	-	-	-	392,385	-	392,385
Other expenditures:						
AEA flowthrough	197,233	-	-	-	-	197,233
Total expenditures	5,403,436	127,424	214,417	392,385	123,242	6,260,904
Excess of revenues over expenditures	363,632	3,072	466,036	1,758	4,053	838,551
Other financing sources:						
Sale of equipment	7,171	-	-	-	-	7,171
Change in fund balances	370,803	3,072	466,036	1,758	4,053	845,722
Fund balances beginning of year	1,352,187	1,099,455	227,087	13,080	30,620	2,722,429
Fund balances end of year	\$ 1,722,990	1,102,527	693,123	14,838	34,673	3,568,151

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Change in fund balances - total governmental funds (page 22) \$ 845,722

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

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. These costs are not reported in the Statement of Activities, but they are allocated over the estimated useful lives of the capital assets as depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities. Capital outlay expenditures exceeded depreciation expense in the current year, as follows:

Capital outlay	\$ 316,006	
Depreciation expense	<u>(298,312)</u>	17,694

Income surtax receivable is not considered available revenue and is recognized as deferred inflows of resources in the governmental funds. (11,703)

Repayment of long-term liabilities is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in Statement of Net Position. 367,901

Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the governmental funds when due. In the Statement of Activities, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due. 337

Net change in Internal Service Fund charged back against expenditures made for self-funded insurance on an entity-wide basis. 1,080

The current year District IPERS contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, but are reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position. 283,197

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

Termination benefits	10,060	
Pension expense	(395,235)	
Total OPEB liability	<u>1,509</u>	<u>(383,666)</u>

Change in net position of governmental activities (page 19) \$ 1,120,562

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2018

	Business Type	
	Enterprise Fund	Governmental Activities:
	School Nutrition	Internal Service
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 73,806	15,333
Accounts receivable	352	-
Due from other funds	38	-
Inventories	8,423	-
Total current assets	82,619	15,333
Noncurrent assets:		
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	44,108	-
Total assets	126,727	15,333
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Pension related deferred outflows	26,950	-
Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Salaries and benefits payable	42,508	-
Unearned revenue	3,969	-
Total current liabilities	46,477	-
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Net pension liability	88,701	-
OPEB liability	8,115	-
Total noncurrent liabilities	96,816	-
Total liabilities	143,293	-
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Pension related deferred inflows	2,074	-
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	44,108	-
Unrestricted	(35,798)	15,333
Total net position	\$ 8,310	15,333

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Business Type	
	Activities: Enterprise Fund School Nutrition	Governmental Activities: Internal Service Fund
Operating revenues:		
Local sources:		
Charges for service	\$ 112,596	28,218
Miscellaneous	556	-
Total operating revenues	<u>113,152</u>	<u>28,218</u>
Operating expenses:		
Current:		
Instruction:		
Regular:		
Benefits	-	27,152
Support services:		
Administration:		
Salaries	30,344	-
Benefits	6,936	-
Services	790	-
	<u>38,070</u>	<u>-</u>
Non-instructional programs:		
Food service operations:		
Salaries	74,904	-
Benefits	26,514	-
Services	2,000	-
Supplies	167,223	-
Other	164	-
Depreciation	6,920	-
	<u>277,725</u>	<u>-</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>315,795</u>	<u>27,152</u>
Operating income(loss)	<u>(202,643)</u>	<u>1,066</u>
Non-operating revenues:		
State sources	2,582	-
Federal sources	208,722	-
Interest income	71	14
Total non-operating revenues	<u>211,375</u>	<u>14</u>
Change in net position	8,732	1,080
Net position beginning of year, as restated	<u>(422)</u>	<u>14,253</u>
Net position end of year	<u>\$ 8,310</u>	<u>15,333</u>

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Business Type	
	Enterprise Fund School Nutrition	Governmental Activities: Internal Service
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from sale of lunches and breakfasts	\$ 113,378	-
Cash received from miscellaneous	556	28,218
Cash payments to employees for services	(129,480)	(27,152)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods or services	(144,658)	-
Net cash provided by(used in) operating activities	(160,204)	1,066
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:		
State grants received	2,582	-
Federal grants received	183,452	-
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities	186,034	-
Cash flows from investing financing activities:		
Interest on investments	71	14
Cash flows from capital financing activities		
Purchase of assets	(3,399)	-
Net increase in cash and pooled investments	22,502	1,080
Cash and pooled investments beginning of year	51,304	14,253
Cash and pooled investments end of year	\$ 73,806	15,333
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Operating income(loss)	\$ (202,643)	1,066
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Commodities consumed	25,270	-
Depreciation	6,920	-
Decrease in inventories	249	-
Increase in accounts receivable	(93)	-
Increase in salaries and benefits payable	7,042	-
Increase in unearned revenue	875	-
Increase in net pension liability	8,256	-
Increase in deferred outflows of resources	(6,339)	-
Increase in deferred inflows of resources	318	-
Decrease in other postemployment benefits	(59)	-
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (160,204)	1,066

Non-cash investing, capital and related financing activities:

During the year ended June 30, 2018, the District received \$25,270 of federal commodities.

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2018

	Private Purpose Trust	Agency
	Scholarship	
Assets		
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 115,160	47
Total assets	115,160	47
Liabilities		
Due to other groups	-	47
Net Position		
Held in trust for scholarships	\$ 115,160	-

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	<u>Private Purpose Trust Scholarship</u>
Additions	
Local sources:	
Gifts and contributions	<u>\$ 1,524</u>
Deductions:	<u>-</u>
Change in net position	1,524
Net position beginning of year	<u>113,636</u>
Net position end of year	<u>\$ 115,160</u>

SEE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2018

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

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

A. Reporting Entity

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

Jointly Governed Organizations - The District participates in a jointly governed organization that provides services to the District but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The District is a member of the Adams, Ringgold, Taylor and Union Counties Assessors' Conference Board.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements - The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for service.

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

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

Restricted net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation did not result in any restricted net position.

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

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

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

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

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

The Management Levy Fund is utilized to account for the District's early retirement benefits, workmen's comprehensive claims, and payments for the District's property insurance.

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

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

The District reports the following nonmajor proprietary funds:

The District's proprietary funds are the Enterprise, School Nutrition Fund and the Internal Service Fund. The School Nutrition Fund is used to account for the food service operations of the District. The Internal Service Fund is used to account for the District's flex health insurance plan.

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

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

The Agency Fund is used to account for assets held by the District as an agent for individuals, private organizations and other governments. The Agency Fund is custodial in nature, assets equal liabilities, and does not involve measurement of results of operations.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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

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

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

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

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

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

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from 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. The principal operating revenues of the District's Enterprise Fund is charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for Enterprise Funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The District maintains its financial records on the cash basis. The financial statements of the District are prepared by making memorandum adjusting entries to the cash basis financial records.

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

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

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

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

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

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds become due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2016 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified to the County Board of Supervisors in April, 2017.

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

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

Capital Assets - Capital assets, which include property, machinery and equipment and intangibles acquired after July 1, 1980, are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities columns in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value. Acquisition value is the price that would have been paid to acquire a capital asset with equivalent service potential. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Reportable capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

Asset Class	Amount
Land	\$ -
Buildings	1,500
Land improvements	1,500
Intangibles	25,000
Machinery and equipment:	
School Nutrition Fund equipment	500
Other machinery and equipment	1,500

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

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Lives
Buildings	50 years
Land improvements	20 years
Intangibles	2 or more years
Machinery and equipment	5-20 years

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

Salaries and Benefits Payable - Payroll and related expenditures for the current school year, which is paid in July and August, have been accrued as liabilities.

Unearned Revenue - Unearned revenues are monies collected for lunches that have not yet been served. The lunch account balances will either be reimbursed or served lunches. The lunch account balances are reflected on the Statement of Net Position in the Proprietary, School Nutrition Fund.

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

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

Total OPEB Liability - For purposes of measuring the total OPEB liability, deferred outflow/inflows of resources related to OPEB and OPEB expense, information has been determined based on the District's actuary report. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The total OPEB liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund while the portion attributable to the business type activities will be paid primarily by the Enterprise, School Nutrition Fund.

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

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

Fund Equity - In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

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

Unassigned - All amounts not included in other spendable classifications.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

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

Note 2. Cash and Pooled Investments

The District's deposits at June 30, 2018 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

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

At June 30, 2018, the District had investments in the Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust (ISJIT) Direct Government Obligations Portfolio which are valued at an amortized cost of \$131 pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940. There were no limitations or restrictions on the withdrawals of the ISJIT investments. The investments in ISJIT were rated AAAM by Standard and Poor's Financial Services.

Note 3. Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2018 is as follows:

	Balance Beginning of Year	Increases	Decreases	Balance End of Year
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 50,521	-	-	50,521
Construction in progress	-	37,742	-	37,742
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>50,521</u>	<u>37,742</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,263</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	7,806,862	81,946	-	7,888,808
Land improvements	799,975	137,297	-	937,272
Machinery and equipment	1,214,426	59,021	-	1,273,447
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>9,821,263</u>	<u>278,264</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,099,527</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	2,015,764	154,639	-	2,170,403
Land improvements	85,666	46,864	-	132,530
Machinery and equipment	932,536	96,809	-	1,029,345
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>3,033,966</u>	<u>298,312</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,332,278</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>6,787,297</u>	<u>(20,048)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,767,249</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 6,837,818</u>	<u>17,694</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,855,512</u>
Business type activities:				
Machinery and equipment	\$ 116,530	3,399	-	119,929
Less accumulated depreciation	68,901	6,920	-	75,821
Business type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 47,629</u>	<u>(3,521)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,108</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to the following functions:

Governmental activities:	
Instruction:	
Regular	\$ 12,478
Other	10,590
Support services:	
Instructional	4,600
Transportation	69,141
	<u>96,809</u>
Unallocated depreciation	<u>201,503</u>
Total governmental activities depreciation expense	<u>\$ 298,312</u>
Business type activities:	
Food service operations	<u>\$ 6,920</u>

Note 4. Long-Term Liabilities

Changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2018 are summarized as follows:

	Balance Beginning of Year, as Restated	Additions	Deletions	Balance End of Year	Due Within One Year
Governmental activities:					
General obligation bonds	\$ 1,275,000	-	365,000	910,000	250,000
Mower lease	2,901	-	2,901	-	-
Termination benefits	10,060	-	10,060	-	-
Net pension liability	2,610,549	199,483	-	2,810,032	-
Net OPEB liability	213,933	-	1,509	212,424	-
Total	<u>\$ 4,112,443</u>	<u>199,483</u>	<u>379,470</u>	<u>3,932,456</u>	<u>250,000</u>
Business type activities:					
Net OPEB liability	8,174	-	59	8,115	-
Net pension liability	80,445	8,256	-	88,701	-
Total	<u>\$ 88,619</u>	<u>8,256</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>96,816</u>	<u>-</u>

General Obligation Bonds Payable

Details of the District's June 30, 2018 general obligation bonded indebtedness are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Issue dated December 8, 2011			
	Interest Rate	Principal	Interest	Total
2019	1.80%	\$ 250,000	18,728	268,728
2020	2.00	255,000	14,228	269,228
2021	2.20	260,000	9,127	269,127
2022	2.35	145,000	3,407	148,407
Total		<u>\$ 910,000</u>	<u>45,490</u>	<u>955,490</u>

Termination Benefits

During fiscal year 2018, the District offered a voluntary early retirement plan to its certified employees. The plan was only offered for one year. Eligible employees must have completed at least ten years of full-time service to the District and must have reached the age of fifty-five on or before June 30, 2017. The application for early retirement was subject to approval by the Board of Education.

Retirees under the offering were to receive a one-time cash payment equal to 1% for each year of service of his/her salary amount of their final contract, up to a maximum of \$10,000. Additionally, benefits include reimbursement of one half of the substitute teacher rate for each of their unused sick days. Payments were due July 25, 2017. At June 30, 2018, the District had no obligations. Actual early retirement expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2018 were \$10,060.

Note 5. Due From and Due to Other Funds

The detail of interfund receivables and payables at June 30, 2018 is as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
School Nutrition	General	<u>\$ 38</u>

The General Fund is repaying the Nutrition Fund as a part of the Clearfield Community School District dissolution settlement.

Note 6. Pension Plan

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

In fiscal year 2018, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 5.95% of covered payroll and the District contributed 8.93% of covered payroll, for a total rate of 14.88%.

The District's contributions to IPERS for the year ended June 30, 2018 were \$292,317.

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions - At June 30, 2018, the District reported a liability of \$2,898,733 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions to IPERS relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2017, the District's collective proportion was 0.0435162%, which was an increase of 0.000757% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2016.

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the District recognized pension expense of \$406,590. At June 30, 2018, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 26,613	\$ 25,115
Changes of assumptions	503,666	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on IPERS' investments	-	30,276
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and the District's proportionate share of contributions	52,412	12,388
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	292,317	-
Total	<u>\$ 875,008</u>	<u>\$ 67,779</u>

\$292,317 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2019. 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 Ended June 30,	Amount
2019	\$ 76,972
2020	236,847
2021	141,871
2022	22,657
2023	36,565
Total	<u>\$ 514,912</u>

There were no non-employer contributing entities at IPERS.

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability in the June 30, 2017 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2017)	2.60% per annum
Rates of salary increase (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25 to 16.25%, average including inflation. Rates vary by membership group.
Long-term investment rate of return (effective June 30, 2017)	7.00% compounded annually, net of investment expense, including inflation.
Wage growth (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25% per annum, based on 2.60% inflation and .65% real wage inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2017 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies dated March 24, 2017.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Mortality Table for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Scale AA.

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

Asset Class	Asset Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic equity	24.0%	6.25%
International equity	16.0	6.71
Core plus fixed income	27.0	2.25
Public credit	3.5	3.46
Public real assets	7.0	3.27
Cash	1.0	(0.31)
Private equity	11.0	11.15
Private real assets	7.5	4.18
Private credit	3.0	4.25
Total	<u>100%</u>	

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.00%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and that contributions from the District will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, IPERS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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

	1% Decrease (6.00%)	Discount Rate (7.00%)	1% Increase (8.00%)
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 4,775,950	2,898,733	1,321,511

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

Payables to IPERS - At June 30, 2018, the District reported payables to IPERS of \$51,656 for legally required District contributions and \$34,418 for legally required employee contributions withheld from employee wages which had not yet been remitted to IPERS.

Note 7. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

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

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

Retired participants must be age 55 or older at retirement. At June 30, 2018, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payments	2
Active employees	<u>78</u>
Total	<u><u>80</u></u>

Total OPEB Liability - The District's total OPEB liability of \$44,770 was measured as of June 30, 2018, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions - The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2018 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and the entry age normal actuarial cost method, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2018)	3.00% per annum.
Rates of salary increase (effective June 30, 2018)	3.50% per annum, including inflation.
Discount rate (effective June 30, 2018)	3.87% compounded annually, including inflation.
Healthcare cost trend rate (effective June 30, 2018)	5.50% initial rate decreasing variably to an ultimate rate of 4.92%

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 3.87% which reflects the index rate for 20-year tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher as of the measurement date.

Mortality rates are from the RP-2014 projected to 2030 using Scale MP-14, applied on a gender specific basis. Annual retirement probabilities are based on varying rates by age and turnover probabilities mirror those used by IPERS.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2018 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience studies with dates corresponding to those listed above.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	<u>Total OPEB Liability</u>
Total OPEB liability beginning of year, as restated	\$ 222,107
Changes for the year:	
Service cost	29,574
Interest	8,494
Changes in assumptions	(10,810)
Benefit payments	<u>(28,826)</u>
Net changes	<u>(1,568)</u>
Total OPEB liability end of year	<u>\$ 220,539</u>

Changes of assumptions reflect a change in the discount rate from 3.58% in fiscal year 2017 to 3.87% in fiscal year 2018.

Sensitivity of the District's Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District, as well as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% lower (2.87%) or 1% higher (4.87%) than the current discount rate.

	<u>1% Decrease (2.87%)</u>	<u>Discount Rate (3.87%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (4.87%)</u>
Total OPEB liability	\$ 172,000	221,000	269,000

Sensitivity of the District's Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates - The following presents the total OPEB liability of the District as what the District's total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1% lower (4.50%) or 1% higher (6.50%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates.

	<u>1% Decrease (4.50%)</u>	<u>Healthcare Cost Trend Rate (5.50%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (6.50%)</u>
Total OPEB liability	\$ 184,000	221,000	245,000

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to OPEB - For the year ended June 30, 2018, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$27,258. Lenox Community School District elected to use the Alternative Measurement Method (AMM) as allowed by GASB Statement No. 75 for entities with fewer than 100 active and inactive employees. Certain items such as differences between expected and actual experience and changes in assumptions and other inputs are recognized in the current year when using the AMM and, therefore, there are no deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB.

Note 8. Risk Management

Lenox Community School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft; damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The District assumes liability for any

deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Note 9. Area Education Agency

The District is required by the Code of Iowa to budget for its share of special education support, media and educational services provided through the area education agency. The District’s actual amount for this purpose totaled \$197,233 for the year ended June 30, 2018 and is recorded in the General Fund by making a memorandum adjusting entry to the cash basis financial statements.

Note 10. Categorical Funding

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

The following is a schedule of the categorical funding restricted in the General Fund at June 30, 2018.

Program	Amount
Home school assistance program	\$ 62,253
Gifted and talented programs	60,954
Returning dropouts and dropout prevention programs	71,565
Teacher leadership state aid	67,339
Teacher salary supplement	15,779
Successful progression for early readers	8,427
Professional development	18,179
Total	<u>\$ 304,496</u>

Note 11. Detailed Reconciliation of Governmental Fund Balances to Net Position

Detailed reconciliation of certain governmental balances to net position is as follows:

	Net investment in Capital Assets	Debt Service	Unassigned/ Unrestricted
Fund balance (Exhibit C)	\$ -	14,838	1,418,494
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	6,855,512	-	-
General obligation bond capitalized indebtedness	(910,000)	-	-
Mower lease capitalized indebtedness	-	-	-
Accrued interest payable	-	(1,796)	-
Termination benefits	-	-	-
Internal service fund	-	-	15,333
Income surtax	-	-	111,734
Pension related deferred outflows	-	-	848,058
Pension related deferred inflows	-	-	(65,705)
Net pension liability	-	-	(2,810,032)
Total OPEB liability	-	-	(212,424)
Net position (Exhibit A)	<u>\$ 5,945,512</u>	<u>13,042</u>	<u>(694,542)</u>

Note 12. Tax Abatements

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

Tax Abatements of Other Entities

Property tax revenues of the District were reduced by the following amounts for the year ended June 30, 2018 under agreements entered into by the following entities:

<u>Entity</u>	<u>Tax Abatement Program</u>	<u>Amount of Tax Abated</u>
City of Lenox	Urban Renewal and Economic Development Projects	\$ 51,887

The State of Iowa reimburses the District an amount equivalent to the increment of valuation on which property tax is divided times \$5.40 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation. For the year ended June 30, 2018, this reimbursement amounted to \$9,054.

Note 13. Accounting Change/Restatement

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB), was implemented during fiscal year 2018. The revised requirements establish new financial reporting requirements for state and local governments which provide their employees with OPEB benefits, including additional note disclosure and required supplementary information. In addition, GASB Statement No. 75 requires a state or local government employer to use the entry age normal actuarial cost method, and requires deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources which arise from other types of events related to OPEB to be recognized. During the transition year, as permitted, beginning balances for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are not reported. Beginning net position for governmental activities and business type activities was restated to retroactively report the change in valuation of the beginning total OPEB liability, as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business Type Activities</u>
Net position June 30, 2017, as previously reported	\$ 6,437,822	3,878
OPEB obligation measured under previous standards	54,380	3,874
Total OPEB liability at June 30, 2017	<u>(213,933)</u>	<u>(8,174)</u>
Net position July 1, 2017, as restated	<u>\$ 6,278,269</u>	<u>(422)</u>

Note 14. Construction Commitment

The District entered into contracts totaling \$131,275 for the air conditioning project. As of June 30, 2018, costs of \$37,742 had been incurred against the contracts. The balance of \$93,534 remaining at June 30, 2018 will be paid as work on the projects progress.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND
 CHANGES IN BALANCES -
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 AND PROPRIETARY FUND
 REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Governmental	Proprietary	Total Actual	Budgeted Amounts		Final to Actual Variance
	Funds Actual	Fund Actual		Original	Final	
Revenues:						
Local sources	\$ 3,324,545	113,223	3,437,768	3,271,321	3,271,321	166,447
State sources	3,586,279	2,582	3,588,861	3,636,622	3,636,622	(47,761)
Federal sources	188,631	208,722	397,353	393,000	393,000	4,353
Total revenues	<u>7,099,455</u>	<u>324,527</u>	<u>7,423,982</u>	<u>7,300,943</u>	<u>7,300,943</u>	<u>123,039</u>
Expenditures/Expenses:						
Instruction	3,930,264	-	3,930,264	5,100,000	5,100,000	1,169,736
Support services	1,547,538	38,070	1,585,608	2,254,500	2,254,500	668,892
Non-instructional programs	-	277,725	277,725	525,000	525,000	247,275
Other expenditures	783,102	-	783,102	1,015,445	1,015,445	232,343
Total expenditures/expenses	<u>6,260,904</u>	<u>315,795</u>	<u>6,576,699</u>	<u>8,894,945</u>	<u>8,894,945</u>	<u>2,318,246</u>
Excess(Deficiency) of revenues over(under) expenditures/expenses	838,551	8,732	847,283	(1,594,002)	(1,594,002)	2,441,285
Other financing sources, net	<u>7,171</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,171</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>1,171</u>
Excess(Deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over(under) expenditures/expenses and other financing uses	845,722	8,732	854,454	(1,588,002)	(1,588,002)	2,442,456
Balances beginning of year, as restated	<u>2,722,429</u>	<u>(422)</u>	<u>2,722,007</u>	<u>1,549,344</u>	<u>1,549,344</u>	<u>1,172,663</u>
Balances end of year	<u>\$ 3,568,151</u>	<u>8,310</u>	<u>3,576,461</u>	<u>(38,658)</u>	<u>(38,658)</u>	<u>3,615,119</u>

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LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - BUDGETARY REPORTING
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

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

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

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

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY
IOWA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

	2018	2017	2016	2015
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.435162%	0.042759%	0.043376%	0.043130%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 2,898,733	2,690,994	2,142,992	1,710,477
District's covered payroll	\$ 3,261,131	3,072,818	2,971,664	2,822,654
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	88.89%	87.57%	72.11%	60.60%
IPERS' net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	82.21%	81.82%	85.19%	87.61%

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

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LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS
IOWA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Statutorily required contribution	\$ 292,317	291,219	274,025	265,370	252,063	241,972	211,918	170,463	168,057	155,915
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	\$ (292,317)	(291,219)	(274,025)	(265,370)	(252,063)	(241,972)	(211,918)	(170,463)	(168,057)	(155,915)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
District's covered payroll	\$ 3,273,427	3,261,131	3,072,818	2,971,664	2,822,654	2,790,911	2,625,998	2,452,705	2,527,173	2,455,354
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	8.93%	8.93%	8.93%	8.93%	8.93%	8.67%	8.07%	6.95%	6.65%	6.35%

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LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PENSION LIABILITY
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Changes of benefit terms:

Legislation enacted in 2010 modified benefit terms for Regular members. The definition of final average salary changed from the highest three to the highest five years of covered wages. The vesting requirement changed from four years of service to seven years. The early retirement reduction increased from 3% per year measured from the member's first unreduced retirement age to a 6% reduction for each year of retirement before age 65.

Changes of assumptions:

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

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

The 2014 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 4.00% to 3.75% per year.
- Adjusted male mortality rates for retirees in the Regular membership group.
- Moved from an open 30-year amortization period to a closed 30-year amortization period for the UAL (unfunded actuarial liability) beginning June 30, 2014. Each year thereafter, changes in the UAL from plan experience will be amortized on a separate closed 20-year period.

The 2010 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Adjusted retiree mortality assumptions.
- Modified retirement rates to reflect fewer retirements.
- Lowered disability rates at most ages.
- Lowered employment termination rates.
- Generally increased the probability of terminating members receiving a deferred retirement benefit.
- Modified salary increase assumptions based on various service duration.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE DISTRICT'S
TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY, RELATED RATIOS AND NOTES
FOR THE CURRENT YEAR
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

	2018
Service cost	\$ 29,574
Interest cost	8,494
Changes in assumptions	(10,810)
Benefit payments	(28,826)
Net change in total OPEB liability	(1,568)
Total OPEB liability beginning of year, as restated	222,107
Total OPEB liability end of year	\$ 220,539
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 3,137,962
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	7.03%

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

Changes in benefit terms:

There were no significant changes in benefit terms.

Changes in assumptions:

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

Year ended June 30, 2018	3.87%
Year ended June 30, 2017	3.58%

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LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND ACCOUNTS
 JUNE 30, 2018

	Capital Projects		
	Statewide Sales, Services and Use Tax	Physical Plant and Equipment Levy	Total
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 344,160	367,541	711,701
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Delinquent	-	1,292	1,292
Succeeding year	-	253,514	253,514
Income surtax	-	18,622	18,622
Due from other governments	36,857	-	36,857
Total assets	\$ 381,017	640,969	1,021,986
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 56,727	-	56,727
Deferred inflows of resources:			
Unavailable revenues:			
Succeeding year property tax	-	253,514	253,514
Income surtax	-	18,622	18,622
Total deferred inflows of resources	-	272,136	272,136
Fund balances:			
Restricted for:			
School infrastructure	324,290	-	324,290
Physical plant and equipment	-	368,833	368,833
Total fund balances	324,290	368,833	693,123
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 381,017	640,969	1,021,986

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LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND ACCOUNTS
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Capital Projects		
	Statewide Sales, Services and Use Tax	Physical Plant and Equipment Levy	Total
Revenues:			
Local sources:			
Local tax	\$ -	241,064	241,064
Other	974	452	1,426
State sources	435,134	2,829	437,963
Total revenues	<u>436,108</u>	<u>244,345</u>	<u>680,453</u>
Expenditures:			
Current:			
Support services:			
Administration	5,372	-	5,372
Operation and maintenance of plant	-	10,661	10,661
Transportation	-	4,900	4,900
Capital outlay	192,415	1,069	193,484
Total expenditures	<u>197,787</u>	<u>16,630</u>	<u>214,417</u>
Change in fund balances	238,321	227,715	466,036
Fund balances beginning of year	<u>85,969</u>	<u>141,118</u>	<u>227,087</u>
Fund balances end of year	<u>\$ 324,290</u>	<u>368,833</u>	<u>693,123</u>

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LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, STUDENT ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Account	Balance Beginning of Year	Revenues	Expendi- tures	Intrafund Transfers	Balance End of Year
Athletics:					
Bowling	\$ -	1,000	1,159	159	-
Boys Basketball	1,689	4,793	3,375	-	3,107
Boys Track	1,115	963	1,950	-	128
Cross Country	-	502	818	316	-
Football	2,083	8,083	7,466	-	2,700
General athletics	-	7,938	4,075	(3,398)	465
Girls Basketball	2,420	4,107	2,086	-	4,441
Girls Track	205	1,043	1,988	740	-
Golf	-	-	1,380	1,380	-
HS Baseball	-	4,923	5,540	617	-
HS Softball	78	3,905	4,184	201	-
JH Baseball	-	260	760	514	14
JH Softball	-	260	441	181	-
Volleyball	142	3,239	3,358	-	23
Wrestling	-	2,688	2,455	-	233
	<u>7,732</u>	<u>43,704</u>	<u>41,035</u>	<u>710</u>	<u>11,111</u>
Band/Vocal:					
HS Music	5,218	4,349	6,872	(448)	2,247
Music Supplies	-	388	388	-	-
Uniform Fees	1,613	159	1,662	448	558
	<u>6,831</u>	<u>4,896</u>	<u>8,922</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,805</u>
Clubs/Organizations:					
Basketball Cheerleaders	415	373	280	-	508
Robotics	-	1,639	5,752	4,113	-
Drama Club	-	2,212	4,041	1,829	-
FCCLA	1,225	9,977	9,694	(1,508)	-
Dance Team	912	4,395	2,839	-	2,468
FFA	1,548	7,704	5,412	(2,604)	1,236
Football Cheerleaders	102	2,090	1,984	-	208
National Honor Society	-	-	385	385	-
Peer Helpers	53	-	-	(53)	-
Student Council	1,296	436	775	-	957
Wrestling Cheerleaders	-	3,263	1,565	318	2,016
Annual Staff	2,044	4,148	4,416	-	1,776
	<u>7,595</u>	<u>36,237</u>	<u>37,143</u>	<u>2,480</u>	<u>9,169</u>
Class Accounts:					
Class of 2018	4,549	6,677	9,739	(1,487)	-
Class of 2019	-	33,325	24,318	(161)	8,846
Class of 2020	64	18	52	-	30
Class of 2021	83	500	23	-	560
Class of 2022	-	179	-	-	179
Class of 2023	-	36	-	-	36
	<u>4,696</u>	<u>40,735</u>	<u>34,132</u>	<u>(1,648)</u>	<u>9,651</u>
Elementary Activities:					
Memory Book	553	1,230	1,289	-	494
Music	1,927	-	230	(1,697)	-
Student Council	1,236	321	114	-	1,443
	<u>3,716</u>	<u>1,551</u>	<u>1,633</u>	<u>(1,697)</u>	<u>1,937</u>
Miscellaneous:					
Interest	-	172	-	(172)	-
JH Stand	50	-	377	327	-
	<u>50</u>	<u>172</u>	<u>377</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 30,620</u>	<u>127,295</u>	<u>123,242</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,673</u>

SEE ACCOMPANYING INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
 AGENCY FUND
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Balance Beginning of Year	Additions	Deductions	Balance End of Year
Assets				
Cash and pooled investments	\$ 103	9,351	9,407	47
Liabilities				
Due to other groups	\$ 103	9,351	9,407	47

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LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES BY SOURCE AND EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION
 ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS

	Modified Accrual Basis									
	Years Ended June 30,									
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Revenues:										
Local sources:										
Local tax	\$ 2,401,056	2,317,183	2,226,080	2,181,819	1,851,754	2,254,303	2,114,464	2,030,721	1,868,655	1,808,919
Tuition	556,585	441,284	348,432	344,060	532,385	486,195	453,729	413,349	396,671	413,829
Other	366,904	430,488	276,646	347,446	215,726	204,643	234,025	219,815	179,006	214,314
State sources	3,586,279	3,564,972	3,381,928	3,087,955	2,849,516	2,512,601	2,411,872	2,211,580	1,898,824	2,081,653
Federal sources	188,631	180,231	184,528	181,084	214,860	452,249	506,260	263,906	427,481	251,920
Total	\$ 7,099,455	6,934,158	6,417,614	6,142,364	5,664,241	5,909,991	5,720,350	5,139,371	4,770,637	4,770,635
Expenditures:										
Instruction:										
Regular	\$ 2,279,712	2,463,249	2,199,492	2,308,219	2,133,048	1,938,212	1,836,834	1,657,073	1,547,437	1,548,294
Special	638,685	608,656	581,623	573,854	447,488	508,032	544,130	567,189	602,155	607,413
Other	1,011,867	961,529	821,794	796,510	770,473	742,725	683,728	674,797	667,017	618,859
Support services:										
Student	87,910	104,854	95,268	103,261	99,994	92,511	89,896	87,895	84,340	78,757
Instructional staff	238,834	165,550	148,026	155,008	154,241	162,984	136,323	125,208	169,903	237,112
Administration	621,039	586,831	553,811	508,474	507,000	498,144	488,641	438,151	439,463	424,755
Operation and maintenance										
of plant	429,336	410,072	439,168	428,806	382,100	405,041	391,577	369,663	345,991	314,591
Transportation	170,419	299,031	161,613	247,336	225,728	233,138	256,545	204,009	114,696	109,200
Capital outlay	193,484	712,943	1,055,577	360,483	355,106	719,114	362,894	118,647	302,373	26,140
Long-term debt:										
Principal	367,901	347,835	464,848	225,000	302,650	2,640,000	265,000	255,000	250,000	235,000
Interest and fiscal charges	24,484	36,031	40,066	42,995	48,754	137,950	126,271	113,007	120,262	129,862
Other expenditures:										
AEA flow-through	197,233	193,816	191,434	178,327	159,243	154,981	145,017	159,796	148,880	131,964
Total	\$ 6,260,904	6,890,397	6,752,720	5,928,273	5,585,825	8,232,832	5,326,856	4,770,435	4,792,517	4,461,947

SEE ACCOMPANYING INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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

To the Board of Education of Lenox Community School District:

We have audited in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards 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 Lenox Community School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated May 21, 2019.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Lenox Community School District's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures 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 Lenox Community School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Lenox Community School District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings, we identified deficiencies in internal control we consider to be a material weakness and significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of the control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency described in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings as item I-A-18 to be a material weakness.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control which is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies described in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings as items I-B-18 and I-C-18 to be significant deficiencies.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Lenox Community School District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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 non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the District's operations for the year ended June 30, 2018 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the District. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Lenox Community School District's Responses to Findings

Lenox Community School District's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. Lenox Community School District's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

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 result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Lenox Community School District during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.



NOLTE, CORNMAN & JOHNSON, P.C.

May 21, 2019
Newton, Iowa

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Part I: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

I-A-18 Segregation of Duties

Criteria - Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control. A good system of internal control provides for adequate segregation of duties so no one individual handles a transaction from its inception to completion. In order to maintain proper internal control, duties should be segregated so the authorization, custody, and recording of transactions are not under the control of the same employee. This segregation of duties helps prevent losses from employee error or dishonesty and maximizes the accuracy of the District's financial statements.

Condition - One important aspect of the internal control structure is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. One individual has control over one or more of the following areas for the District:

- 1) Cash - handling and recording cash, posting and reconciling.
- 2) Investments - investing, detailed recordkeeping, custody of investments and reconciling earnings.
- 3) Receipts - collecting, recording, depositing, journalizing, posting and reconciling.
- 4) Payroll - recording approved pay rates and deductions, recordkeeping, preparation, posting, and distribution.
- 5) Wire Transfers - processing and approving.
- 6) Transfers - processing and approving.
- 7) Computer systems - performing all general accounting functions and controlling all data input and output.
- 8) Journal entries - writing, approving, and posting.
- 9) School lunch program - journalizing, posting, reconciling, purchase order processing, check preparation, mailing and recording.

Cause - The District has a limited number of employees and procedures have not been designed to adequately segregate duties or provide compensating controls through additional oversight of transactions and processes.

Effect - Inadequate segregation of duties could adversely affect the District's ability to prevent or detect and correct misstatements, errors, or misappropriation on a timely basis by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Recommendation - We realize that with a limited number of office employees, segregation of duties is difficult. However, the District should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

Response - The District will continue to review the duties of office employees and segregate duties where possible.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

I-B-18 Flex Benefits

Criteria - An effective internal control system provides internal controls related to the recording of revenues and expenses and reconciliation of cash on the general ledger to bank statements. Recording of the revenues and expenses in a timely manner allows for accuracy on the financial statements. Bank reconciliations, when performed timely, provide support for the cash position and allow users a higher degree of confidence in the amount of cash reflected on financial statements.

Condition - During our audit we noted that revenues and expenses of the flex benefit fund do not appear to be recorded and bank reconciliations do not appear to be done timely.

Cause - District personnel may not possess the required skills, knowledge and expertise to complete bank reconciliations in a timely manner. District policies and procedures do not appear to have been established to require bank reconciliations be performed in a timely manner.

Effect - Inadequate performance of bank reconciliations could adversely affect the District's ability to prevent or detect and correct misstatements, errors, or misappropriation on a timely basis by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Recommendation - The Business Manager or designated individual should perform bank reconciliations of the District's bank statements to the District's general ledger in a timely manner each month. If the accounting staff is not comfortable using the accounting software to perform bank reconciliations, the District should consider sending their accounting staff to additional software training on bank reconciliations through tutorials provided by software unlimited and/or through continuing education provided through groups such as IASBO.

Response - The Business Manager will perform monthly bank reconciliations; comparing the District's bank statement to the general ledger. This task will be completed using our accounting software. In addition, the district will seek out training for the district's new Business Manager concerning this task.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

I-C-18 Certified Annual Report

Criteria - An effective internal control system provides for internal controls related to financial reporting which includes controls over financial reporting, effected by an entity's governing body and management designed to ensure all funds are included in the District's certified annual report filed with the Iowa Department of Education.

Condition - During our audit we noted the District did not upload information regarding revenues, expenses, and corresponding changes in assets and liabilities for fiscal year 2018 for the Student Activity and Agency Funds to the certified annual report.

Cause - The District currently tracks these funds on a different accounting software that is not integrated with the rest of the District funds and uniform financial records. As such, the journal entry required to include these balances was not completed.

Effect - Lack of procedures and controls of financial reports and utilization of one uniform accounting system could result in the omission of funds and applicable data presented to the Board of Education or submitted to the Iowa Department of Education on an annual basis.

Recommendation – Since the certified annual report should reflect the entire accounting and financial position of the District. The District should develop and implement controls to ensure all funds are included from its uniform accounting system. This includes integrating the Student Activity and Agency Funds with the rest of the funds to ensure they are not omitted from future certified annual reports.

Response - The District recently changed software systems. The new system is SDS. Therefore, the District will work with consultants from SDS to ensure all funds are included in a single system.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

Other Matters:

I-D-18 Commodity Pricing

Criteria - An effective internal control system provides for internal controls related to year-end commodity inventory pricing to ensure ending inventory in the School Nutrition Fund is properly valued and reported.

Condition - The Iowa Department of Education provides districts with a price guide listing of values to be used in the calculation of ending inventory amounts. However, it appears that commodities were not valued using the price guide listing provided by the Iowa Department of Education.

Cause - The District does not appear to have procedures in place to ensure the use of the price guide listing provided by the Iowa Department of Education when determining year-end commodity values.

Effect - Lack of adequate procedures to ensure the proper valuation of commodities could lead to material misstatement of the School Nutrition Fund inventory.

Recommendation - The District should review procedures in place for inventory pricing and make any necessary changes to ensure the correct values are assigned to commodities on hand at year-end.

Response - The District's nutrition staff will use the Iowa Department of Education's price guide to determine the value of the commodities inventory.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Part II: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- II-A-18 Certified Budget - District expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2018, did not exceed the amounts budgeted in any of the functional areas.
- II-B-18 Questionable Disbursements - No expenditures we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.
- II-C-18 Travel Expense - No expenditures of District money for travel expenses of spouses of District officials or employees were noted. No travel advances to District officials or employees were noted.
- II-D-18 Business Transactions - Business transactions between the District and District officials were noted as follows:

Name, Title and Business Connection	Transaction Description	Amount
Kurt Stoaks, Board Member Son is athletic official	Services	\$ 750
Kurtis Christensen, Board Member Uncle is athletic official	Services	\$ 330
Son is athletic official	Services	\$ 60
Sister-in-law owns the Christensen Agency	Property insurance	\$ 79,117
Dad owns Christensen Sanitation	Services	\$ 4,376
Darrell Brown JR, Bus Driver Owner of CountryLine Service & Repair	Services	\$ 5,428
Jennifer Parker, High School Principal's Secretary Daughter is ticket taker	Services	\$ 72
Daughter is ticket taker	Services	\$ 36
Mike Still, Principal Son is athletic official	Services	\$ 70
Owner of Still's Smoked Meats	Supplies	\$ 439
Joyce Sweeney, Secretary Husband owns Sweeney Repair	Services	\$ 2,478
Mike Sorensen, Teacher Prom DJ	Services	\$ 250
Mark Sorensen, Custodian Wife provided alterations	Services	\$ 120
Jen Wood, Paraprofessional Son is athletic official	Services	\$ 70

In accordance with the Attorney General's opinion dated November 9, 1976, the above transactions with the relatives of board members and employees do not appear to represent a conflict of interest.

In accordance with the Attorney General's opinion dated July 2, 1990, the above transactions with District employees for services and supplies do not appear to represent a conflict of interest.

- II-E-18 Bond Coverage - Surety bond coverage of District officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to ensure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- II-F-18 Board Minutes - We noted no transactions requiring Board approval which have not been approved by the Board.
- II-G-18 Certified Enrollment - No variances in the basic enrollment data certified to the Iowa Department of Education were noted.
- II-H-18 Supplementary Weighting – We noted the supplementary weighting certified to the Iowa Department of Education was overstated by .019.
- Recommendation - The Iowa Department of Education and the Iowa Department of Management should be contacted to resolve this matter regarding these students.
- Response - The district’s auditor will contact the Iowa Department of Education and the Iowa Department of Management on our behalf to resolve this matter.
- Conclusion - Response accepted.
- II-I-18 Deposits and Investments - We noted no instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa and the District's investment policy.
- II-J-18 Certified Annual Report - The Certified Annual Report was filed with the Department of Education timely, and we noted no significant deficiencies in the amounts reported.
- II-K-18 Categorical Funding - No instances were noted of categorical funding used to supplant rather than supplement other funds.
- II-L-18 Statewide Sales, Services and Use Tax - No instances of non-compliance with the allowable uses of the statewide sales, services and use tax revenue provided in Chapter 423F.3 of the Code of Iowa were noted.

Pursuant to Chapter 423F.5 of the Code of Iowa, the annual audit is required to include certain reporting elements related to the statewide sales, services, and use tax revenue. Districts are required to include these reporting elements in the Certified Annual Report (CAR) submitted to the Iowa Department of Education. For the year ended June 30, 2018, the District reported the following information regarding the statewide, sales, services and use tax revenue in the District’s CAR:

Beginning balance		\$	85,969
Revenues:			
Sales tax revenues	\$	435,134	
Other local revenues		974	436,108
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Expenditures/transfers out:			
School infrastructure construction		103,686	
Equipment		33,731	
Other		60,370	197,787
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Ending balance		\$	<u><u>324,290</u></u>

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the District did not reduce any levies as a result of the moneys received under Chapter 423E or 423F of the Code of Iowa.

APPENDIX E – FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATES

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

**LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
\$ _____ GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2020
ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER] ("Purchaser"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale of the above-captioned obligations (the "Bonds").

1. Reasonably Expected Initial Offering Price.
 - a. As of the Sale Date, the reasonably expected initial offering prices of the Bonds to the Public by Purchaser are the prices listed in Schedule A (the "Expected Offering Prices"). The Expected Offering Prices are the prices for the Maturities of the Bonds used by Purchaser in formulating its bid to purchase the Bonds. Attached as Schedule B is a true and correct copy of the bid provided by Purchaser to purchase the Bonds.
 - b. Purchaser was not given the opportunity to review other bids prior to submitting its bid.
 - c. The bid submitted by Purchaser constituted a firm offer to purchase the Bonds.
2. Defined Terms.
 - a. Maturity means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate Maturities.
 - b. Public means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
 - c. Sale Date means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is May 28, 2020.
 - d. Underwriter means (i) the Purchaser or any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents Purchaser's interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax Exemption Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and by Bond Counsel in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Bonds.

[UNDERWRITER]

By: _____
Name: _____

Dated: [ISSUE DATE]

SCHEDULE A
EXPECTED OFFERING PRICES
(Attached)

SCHEDULE B
COPY OF UNDERWRITER'S BID
(Attached)

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

LENOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
\$ _____ GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2020

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, on behalf of [NAME OF UNDERWRITER/REPRESENTATIVE] ("Purchaser")[the "Representative"]], on behalf of itself and [NAMES OF OTHER UNDERWRITERS] (together, the "Underwriting Group"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale and issuance of the above-captioned obligations (the "Bonds").

1. Sale of the General Rule Maturities. As of the date of this certificate, for each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities, the first price at which at least 10% of such Maturity was sold to the Public is the respective price listed in Schedule A.
2. Initial Offering Price of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities.
 - a. [Purchaser][The Underwriting Group] offered the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities to the Public for purchase at the respective initial offering prices listed in Schedule A (the "Initial Offering Prices") on or before the Sale Date. A copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication for the Bonds is attached to this certificate as Schedule B.
 - b. As set forth in the Official Terms of Offering and bid award, [Purchaser][the members of the Underwriting Group] [has][have] agreed in writing that, (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, [it][they] would neither offer nor sell any of the Bonds of such Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"), and (ii) any selling group agreement shall contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any retail distribution agreement shall contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the retail distribution agreement, to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule. Pursuant to such agreement, no Underwriter (as defined below) has offered or sold any Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities at a price that is higher than the respective Initial Offering Price for that Maturity of the Bonds during the Holding Period.
3. Defined Terms.
 - a. General Rule Maturities means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule A hereto as the "General Rule Maturities."
 - b. Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule A hereto as the "Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities."
 - c. Holding Period means, with respect to a Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date (May 28, 2020), or (ii) the date on which [Purchaser][the Underwriters] [has][have] sold at least 10% of such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity.
 - d. Issuer means Lenox Community School District.
 - e. Maturity means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.
 - f. Public means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
 - g. Sale Date means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is May 28, 2020.
 - h. Underwriter means (i) the Purchaser or any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents [the Purchaser][the Representative's] interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended,

and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax Exemption Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and by Bond Counsel in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Bonds.

[UNDERWRITER][REPRESENTATIVE]

By: _____

Name: _____

Dated: [ISSUE DATE]

SCHEDULE A

SALE PRICES OF THE GENERAL RULE MATURITIES AND
INITIAL OFFERING PRICES OF THE HOLD-THE-OFFERING-PRICE MATURITIES

(Attached)

SCHEDULE B

PRICING WIRE OR EQUIVALENT COMMUNICATION