

PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED APRIL 3, 2025

**Book-Entry Only
New Issue –Bank Qualified**

**Rating: “Aa3” Moody’s (Underlying)
“Aa3” (Enhanced)
See “RATING” herein**

In the opinion of Bond Counsel for the Bonds, based upon an analysis of laws, regulations, rulings, and court decisions, and assuming continuing compliance with certain covenants made by the District, and subject to the conditions and limitations set forth herein under the caption “LEGAL MATTERS – Tax Treatment,” interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not a specific item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. Interest on the Bonds is exempt from Kentucky income tax, and the Bonds are exempt from ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and any of its political subdivisions.



\$6,720,000*
**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

Dated: Date of Issuance

Due: May 1, as shown below

Interest on the above-captioned Bonds (the “Bonds”) will be payable from their dated date, on each May 1 and November 1, commencing November 1, 2025. The Bonds mature on each May 1, as shown on the inside cover.

The Bonds are being issued as fully registered bonds in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds will be issued under a book-entry system and registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company or its nominee. There will be no distribution of the Bonds to the ultimate purchasers. See “THE BONDS – Book-Entry Only System” herein. The principal of the Bonds will be payable when due at the designated corporate trust office of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, in Louisville, Kentucky, as Paying Agent and Registrar. Interest payments will be mailed by the Paying Agent and Registrar to each holder of record as of the fifteenth day of the month preceding the date for such interest payment. The principal of and interest on the Bonds may also be paid by any other transfer of funds acceptable to the Paying Agent and Registrar and the registered owner of the Bonds. See “THE BONDS” herein.

FOR MATURITIES AND PRICES OR YIELDS, SEE THE INSIDE COVER

The Bonds are subject to redemption before their stated maturity, as described herein.

The District deems this Preliminary Official Statement to be final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Rule”), except certain information on the cover page hereof and certain pages herein that has been omitted in accordance with the Rule and which will be provided with the final Official Statement.

The Bonds are offered when, as, and if issued, subject to the approval of legality and tax exemption by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Covington, Kentucky, as Bond Counsel. The Bonds are expected to be available for delivery on or about May 1, 2025.

Dated April __, 2025

* Preliminary, subject to change.



THIS PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE, COMPLETION, OR AMENDMENT, WITHOUT NOTICE. THESE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE SOLD NOR MAY OFFERS TO BUY THESE SECURITIES BE ACCEPTED BEFORE 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 A SALE OF, THESE SECURITIES IN ANY JURISDICTION IN WHICH SUCH OFFER, SOLICITATION, OR SALE WOULD BE UNLAWFUL BEFORE REGISTRATION OR QUALIFICATION UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF SUCH JURISDICTION.

\$6,720,000*
COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025

Maturing <u>May 1</u>	Principal <u>Amount*</u>	Interest <u>Rate</u>	<u>Yield</u>	CUSIP <u>223283</u>
2026	\$ 95,000			
2027	200,000			
2028	215,000			
2029	220,000			
2030	230,000			
2031	245,000			
2032	255,000			
2033	270,000			
2034	280,000			
2035	295,000			
2036	310,000			
2037	320,000			
2038	360,000			
2039	375,000			
2040	390,000			
2041	400,000			
2042	420,000			
2043	590,000			
2044	615,000			
2045	635,000			

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Vice Chair

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REGARDING THE USE OF THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

This Official Statement does not constitute an offering of any security other than the original offering of the Bonds of the District identified on the cover page hereof. No dealer, broker, salesman, or other person has been authorized by District to give any information or to make any representations, other than those set forth in this Official Statement, and, if given or made, such other information or representations must not be relied upon as having been given or authorized by the District or the Fiscal Agent. This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell nor the solicitation of an offer to buy, and there shall not be any sale of, the Bonds by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make such offer, solicitation, or sale.

The information and expressions of opinion herein are subject to change without notice. Neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the District since the date hereof.

Upon their issuance, the Bonds will not be registered by the District under any federal or state securities law and will not be listed on any stock exchange or any other securities exchange. Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other federal, state, or other governmental entity or agency, except the District, will have passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this Official Statement or approved the Bonds for sale.

All of the financial and other information presented in this Official Statement has been provided by the District from its records, except any information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of this information, including tables of receipts from taxes and other sources, is intended to show recent historic information and is not intended to indicate future or continuing trends in the financial position or other affairs of the District. No representation is made that the past experience of the District, as is shown by the financial and other information presented in this Official Statement, will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future. Insofar as the statements contained herein involve matters of opinion or estimates, even if not expressly stated as such, such statements are made as such and not as representations of fact or certainty, and no representation is made that any of such statements have been or will be realized. In addition, such statements should also be regarded as suggesting independent investigation or consultation of other sources before the making of any investment decisions. Certain information contained in this Official Statement may not be current; however, attempts were made to date and document all sources of information. Neither this Official Statement nor any oral or written representations made by or on behalf of the District prior to the sale of the Bonds should be regarded as part of the District's contract with the successful bidder or the holders from time to time of the Bonds.

All references in this Official Statement to any provisions of Kentucky law, whether codified in the Kentucky Revised Statutes or uncodified, or to any provisions of the Kentucky Constitution or the District's ordinances or resolutions, in each case, are references to such provisions as they presently exist. Any of these provisions may be amended, repealed, or supplemented from time to time.

As used in this Official Statement, "debt service" means the principal of and the premium (if any) and interest on the obligations referred to, "District" means the Covington (Kentucky) Independent School District, and "Commonwealth" or "Kentucky" means the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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\$6,720,000*
COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Official Statement, which includes the cover page hereof and appendices hereto, is to set forth certain information relating to the issuance of \$6,720,000* aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 (the “Bonds”) of the Covington (Kentucky) Independent School District, as specified on the cover page hereof.

This introduction is not a summary of this Official Statement. It is only a brief description of and a guide to, and is qualified by, more complete and detailed information contained in the entire Official Statement, including the cover page hereof and appendices hereto, and the documents and laws summarized or described herein. A full review should be made of the entire Official Statement. The offering of the Bonds to potential investors is made only by means of the entire Official Statement.

The Bonds are being issued by the Covington (Kentucky) Independent School District (the “District”), an independent school district and a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The District is located in the City of Covington, Kentucky and the County of Kenton, Kentucky.

The issuance of the Bonds is authorized by (a) Sections 66.011 to 66.191, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, (b) Section 160.160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, and (c) a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the District on March 27, 2025 (the “Bond Resolution”).

The Bonds are being issued for the purposes of (i) financing the costs of improvement to the District’s vocational center and improvements to Holmes High School’s softball field (the “Project”), (ii) paying the costs of credit enhancement for the Bonds, if any, (iii) paying capitalized interest for the Bonds, if desirable, and (iv) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

The Bonds are a general obligation of the District. The basic security for the Bonds is the District’s ability to levy, and its pledge to levy, an annual tax in order to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as and when the same become due and payable (see “SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS” herein).

The Bonds are offered when, as, and if issued by the District. The Bonds will be delivered on or about May 1, 2025, in New York, New York, through the Depository Trust Company (DTC).

This Official Statement speaks only as of its date, and the information contained herein is subject to change. This Official Statement and the related continuing disclosure documents of the District are intended to be made available through one or more repositories. Copies of the basic documentation relating to the Bonds, including the Bond Resolution and the bond forms, may be obtained from Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, at 50 East Rivercenter Boulevard, Suite 1150, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Additional information regarding this Official Statement or the District, including financial information for the District, is available from Compass Municipal Advisors, LLC, at 110 West Vine Street, Suite 240, Lexington, Kentucky 40507, Telephone: (859) 368-8052, Attention: Michael George.

The District deems this Preliminary Official Statement to be final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Rule”), except for certain information on the cover page hereof

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and certain pages herein that has been omitted in accordance with the Rule and will be provided with the final Official Statement.

THE BONDS

Description of the Bonds

The Bonds will be dated their date of initial issuance and delivery and will bear interest from such date at the rates set forth on the cover page hereof. The Bonds are being issued as fully registered bonds, without coupons, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

Interest on the Bonds will be payable semiannually on each May and November 1, commencing November 1, 2025, from the later of the date of issuance or the Bonds, or the most recent date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, and shall be paid by check or draft mailed by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Paying Agent and Registrar for the Bonds, to the registered owners thereof, as of the applicable record date set forth below, at their respective addresses appearing on the books of the Paying Agent and Registrar. The principal amount of the Bonds shall be paid when due to the registered owners thereof, upon the surrender of the Bonds at the designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent and Registrar located in Louisville, Kentucky. Alternatively, the principal of and interest on the Bonds may also be paid by any other transfer of funds acceptable to the Paying Agent and Registrar and the registered owners thereof. The record date for each May 1 and November 1 interest payment date shall be the preceding April 1 and October 1, respectively.

Authority for Issuance

The issuance of the Bonds is authorized by (a) Sections 66.011 to 66.191, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, (b) Section 160.160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, and (c) a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education (the "Board") of the District on March 27, 2025 (the "Bond Resolution").

Redemption Provisions*

Optional Redemption. The Bonds maturing on and after May 1, 2035 shall be subject to optional redemption on May 1, 2034 or any date thereafter, in whole or in part, in such order of maturity as may be selected by the District, and by lot within any maturity, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the date of redemption, without premium.

[Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption. The Bonds maturing on the dates set forth below are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption before maturity, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on the dates, in the years, and in the principal amounts as follows:]

<u>Maturing May 1, 20[]</u>	
<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
May 1, 20__	\$
May 1, 20__	\$
May 1, 20__*	\$

*Final Maturity

* Preliminary, subject to change.

Notice of Redemption. If less than all Bonds which, by their terms, are payable on the same date are to be called for redemption, the particular Bonds or portions thereof payable on such date and to be redeemed shall be selected by lot, by the Paying Agent and Registrar, in such manner as the Paying Agent and Registrar, in its discretion, may determine; provided, however, that (i) the portion of any Bond to be redeemed shall be in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, and (ii) in selecting Bonds for redemption, the Paying Agent and Registrar shall treat each Bond as representing the number of Bonds which is obtained by dividing the principal amount of such Bond by \$5,000.

At least thirty days before the redemption date of any Bonds, the Paying Agent and Registrar shall cause a notice of such redemption, signed by the Paying Agent and Registrar, to be mailed, postage prepaid, to all registered owners of the Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed, at their addresses as they appear on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent and Registrar; provided, however, that the failure to mail such notice shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for such redemption. Each notice of redemption shall set forth the date fixed for redemption, the redemption price to be paid, and, if less than all of the Bonds being payable by their terms on a single date then outstanding shall be called for redemption, the distinctive numbers or letters, if any, of the Bonds to be redeemed. In addition, if any Bond is to be redeemed in part only, such redemption notice shall also set forth the portion of the principal amount of such Bond to be redeemed and shall include a statement that on or after the date fixed for redemption, upon the surrender of such Bond for redemption, a new Bond will be issued in a principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Bond so redeemed.

On the date so fixed for redemption, notice having been sent in the manner and under the conditions set forth above, and moneys for the payment of the redemption price being held in a separate account by the Paying Agent and Registrar for the registered owners of the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, (i) the Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption shall become and be due and payable, at the redemption price provided for the redemption of such Bonds or portions thereof on such date; (ii) interest on the Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption shall cease to accrue; and (iii) the registered owners of the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed shall have no rights in respect thereof, except the right to receive payment of the redemption price thereof and to receive new Bonds for any unredeemed portions of their Bonds.

In case part but not all of an outstanding Bond shall be selected for redemption, the registered owner thereof or their attorney or legal representative shall present and surrender such Bond to the Paying Agent and Registrar for payment of the principal amount thereof so called for redemption, and thereupon, the District shall execute and the Paying Agent and Registrar shall authenticate and deliver to or upon the order of such registered owner or their legal representative, without charge therefor, a new Bond in a principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Bond so surrendered, of the same series and maturity and bearing interest at the same rate as the Bond so redeemed.

Defeasance

The Bond Resolution permits the District to defease any of the Bonds before the stated maturity thereof if (i) the District shall have given notice of the redemption of such Bond or Bonds in accordance with the Bond Resolution or shall have provided for the giving of such notice at the appropriate time, and (ii) there shall have been deposited with the Paying Agent or any other fiduciary either (a) moneys in an amount sufficient, or (b) Defeasance Obligations, the principal of and the interest on which, when due, will provide moneys in an amount which, together with any moneys deposited with the Paying Agent or other fiduciary at the same time, shall be sufficient, in either case, to pay, when due, the principal or redemption price, if any, and interest due and to become due on such Bonds on and before their stated maturity, the applicable redemption date, or the immediately succeeding interest payment date thereof, as the case may be. Neither any Defeasance Obligations, nor any moneys so deposited with the Paying Agent or with such other fiduciary, nor any principal or interest payments received from any Defeasance Obligations, shall be

withdrawn or used for any purposes other than, and shall be held in trust for, the payment of the principal or redemption price, if any, of any of the Bonds and any interest thereon; provided, however, that any cash received from such principal or interest payments on such Defeasance Obligations and deposited with the Paying Agent or any other fiduciary, if not then needed for such purposes, shall, to the extent practicable, be (1) reinvested in Defeasance Obligations maturing at such times and in such amounts as shall be sufficient to pay, when due, the principal or redemption price, if any, and interest to become due on any Bonds on and before their stated maturity, the applicable redemption date, or the immediately succeeding, or interest payment date thereof, as the case may be, and (2) paid over to the District, following the full discharge and payment of such Bonds, free and clear of any trust, lien, or pledge.

For the foregoing purposes,

“Defeasance Obligations” means:

(a) non-callable direct obligations of the United States, including U.S. Treasury bills, notes, bonds, and zero coupon bonds, U.S. Treasury Obligations – State and Local Government Series (SLGS), and direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury that have been stripped by the Treasury itself, including CATS, TIGRS, and similar securities;

(b) non-callable obligations issued or guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States; and

(c) non-callable senior debt obligations issued or guaranteed by any Federal Home Loan Bank or any Federal Home Loan Bank Board or by the Farm Credit System, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, or the Federal National Mortgage Association.

Book-Entry Only System

The Bonds will initially be issued solely in book-entry form, to be held in the book-entry only system maintained by The Depository Trust Company (DTC). When issued, the Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as the nominee of DTC. The purchasers of the Bonds will not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in the Bonds. So long as the book-entry only system of DTC is used, only DTC will receive, or have the right to receive, physical delivery of the Bonds, and the beneficial owners of the Bonds will not be or be considered to be, and will not have any rights as, owners or holders of the Bonds under the Bond Resolution. In addition, so long as DTC or its nominee is the registered owner of the Bonds, the Paying Agent and Registrar will make all payments of principal and interest due on the Bonds directly to DTC. For additional information regarding DTC and the book-entry only system see “Appendix G – Book-Entry Only System” hereto.

THE INFORMATION SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION AND APPENDIX G ATTACHED HERETO CONCERNING DTC AND ITS BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM SOURCES THAT THE DISTRICT BELIEVES TO BE RELIABLE, BUT THE DISTRICT TAKES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ACCURACY THEREOF.

SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS

General Obligation

The Bonds are general obligations of the District, and the full faith, credit, and taxing power of the District are irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds as and when due and payable. The basic security for general obligation indebtedness of the District, including the Bonds, is the District’s ability to levy, and its pledge to levy, an annual tax to pay the principal of and interest on all general

obligation indebtedness of the District, including the Bonds, as and when the same become due and payable. The tax must be levied in sufficient amount to pay, as and when the same become due and payable, the principal of and interest on all outstanding general obligation bonds, including the Bonds, and other outstanding general obligation indebtedness of the District. Under Section 159 of the Kentucky Constitution, the District is required to collect an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on all authorized indebtedness and to establish and maintain a sinking fund for the payment of the principal amount thereof. The Bond Resolution provides for the levy of such annual tax, which shall be collected to the extent other lawfully available moneys of the District are not provided or available. The Bond Resolution also creates and provides for the maintenance of a Sinking Fund, into which the proceeds of such annual tax or other lawfully available moneys of the District are to be deposited for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and all other general obligation indebtedness of the District, and the amounts on deposit in the Sinking Fund shall not be used for any other purpose.

Statutory Lien

Section 66.400 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended (the “Municipal Bankruptcy Law”), permits any political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality of the Commonwealth, such as the District, for the purpose of enabling such political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality to take advantage of the provisions of Chapter 9 of the United States Bankruptcy Code and, for that purpose only, (i) to file a petition stating that such political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality (a) is insolvent or unable to meet its debts as they mature, and (b) desires to effectuate a plan for the composition or readjustment of its debts, and (ii) to take any further proceedings as are set forth in the United States Bankruptcy Code, as they relate to such political subdivision, public agency, or instrumentality. Under the Municipal Bankruptcy Law, the District does not need the approval or permission of the Kentucky Department for Local Government’s State Local Debt Officer or any other governmental authority before availing itself of the bankruptcy process. In addition, under the Municipal Bankruptcy Law, the District may be authorized to initiate Chapter 9 bankruptcy proceedings without any prior notice to or consent of its creditors, which bankruptcy proceedings may result in a material and adverse modification or alteration of the rights of the District’s secured and unsecured creditors, including the holders of its bonds and notes. See “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATION – Risk of Bankruptcy” herein.

The Municipal Bankruptcy Law provides that (a) a statutory lien exists on any tax revenues pledged for the benefit of general obligation debt; (b) such tax revenues are pledged for the repayment of the principal of and premium (if any) and interest on all outstanding general obligation indebtedness, regardless of whether such pledge is contained in the documents or proceedings authorizing such indebtedness; and (c) such pledge constitutes a first lien on such tax revenues. In addition, the Municipal Bankruptcy Law also creates a statutory lien on annual appropriations for the payment of any obligations subject to annual renewal, including, without limitation, any leases entered into under Chapter 58 and Chapter 65 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

The validity and priority of the statutory lien imposed by the Municipal Bankruptcy Law have not been adjudicated in any Chapter 9 bankruptcy proceeding or otherwise.

State Intercept

The District has agreed that so long as the Bonds are outstanding, and in conformance with the intent and purpose of Section 157.627(5) and Section 160.160(5) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, in the event of any failure by the District to pay debt service on the Bonds, and unless sufficient funds have been or will be transmitted to the Paying Agent and Registrar for the payment of such debt service when due, the District will (i) notify and request the Kentucky Department of Education to withhold from the District a sufficient portion of any undisbursed funds then held, set aside, or allocated to the District, and (ii) request either the Kentucky Department of Education or the Commissioner of Education thereof to transfer the required amount of such withheld funds to the Paying Agent and Registrar for the payment of such debt service.

Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission - No Participation

The Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission (the “Commission”) is an independent corporate agency and instrumentality of the Commonwealth established and existing under the provisions of Sections 157.611 to 157.640, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as repealed, amended, and reenacted (the “Act”) for the purpose of assisting local school districts in meeting the school construction needs of the Commonwealth in a manner which will ensure an equitable distribution of funds based upon unmet need.

The 2024 Regular Session of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth (the “Kentucky General Assembly”) adopted a budget for the Commonwealth for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 (the “2026 Biennial Budget”). Among other things, the 2026 Biennial Budget provides \$117,389,800 in FY 2024-2025 and \$126,743,000 in FY 2025-2026 to pay debt service on existing and future bond issues and \$85,000,000 to fund the Offers of Assistance made by the Commission during the previous biennium. In addition, the 2026 Biennial Budget also authorizes the Commission to make an additional \$40,000,000 in Offers of Assistance during the current biennium to be funded in the budget for the biennium ending June 30, 2028.

The 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2022, and 2024 Regular Sessions of the Kentucky General Assembly appropriated funds to be used to pay the debt service of participating school districts. The appropriations for each biennium are shown in the following table:

<u>Biennium</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
2008-2010	\$10,968,000
2010-2012	12,656,200
2012-2014	8,469,200
2014-2016	8,764,000
2016-2018	23,019,400
2018-2020	7,608,000
2020-2022	2,946,900
2022-2024	5,305,300
2024-2026	22,180,700

In addition to the appropriations for new financings listed above, appropriations subsequent to that for 1986 included additional funds to continue to meet the annual debt requirements of all bonds issued in prior years that involve the participation of the Commission.

Commonwealth Budget for Biennial Period Ending June 30, 2026

Under the Kentucky Constitution, the Kentucky General Assembly is required to adopt measures to provide for the Commonwealth’s revenues and appropriations for each fiscal year. The Governor is required by law to submit a biennial State Budget (the “State Budget”) to the Kentucky General Assembly during the legislative session held during each even numbered year. State Budgets have generally been adopted by the Kentucky General Assembly during those legislative sessions, which end in mid-April, to be effective upon the Governor’s signature, for all appropriations commencing for a two-year period beginning the following July 1.

In the absence of a legislatively enacted budget, the Supreme Court of Kentucky has ruled that the Governor has no authority to spend money from the state treasury, except where there is an explicit statutory, constitutional, or federal mandate, and the Commonwealth may be prevented from expending funds for certain state governmental functions, including the ability to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest, when due, on obligations that are subject to appropriation.

The 2024 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly adopted a State Budget for the biennial period ending June 30, 2026, which was approved and signed by the Governor and became effective as of July 1, 2024. The Office of the State Budget Director makes monthly updates to the General Fund receipts and other Funds of the Commonwealth which are available to the public. When published, the updates can be found at www.osbd.ky.gov.

PLAN OF FINANCING

The Bonds are being issued for the purposes of (i) financing the costs of improvement to the District’s vocational center and improvements to Holmes High School’s softball field (the “Project”), (ii) paying the costs of credit enhancement for the Bonds, if any, (iii) paying capitalized interest for the Bonds, if desirable, and (iv) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds, including rating fees, fees of the Fiscal Agent, Paying Agent and Registrar, and Bond Counsel, and such other appropriate expenses as may be approved by the District.

SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

Sources:

Bond Proceeds	\$ _____
[Plus/Less] [Net] Original Issue [Premium/Discount]	_____
Total Sources	\$ _____

Uses:

Underwriter’s Discount	\$ _____
Deposit to Construction Fund	_____
Cost of Issuance	_____
Total Uses	\$ _____

INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a discussion of certain investment considerations for investors to consider regarding risks that could affect payments to be made with respect to the Bonds. Such discussion is not exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with all other parts of this Official Statement and should not be considered as a complete description of all of the risks that could affect such payments. Prospective purchasers of the Bonds should carefully analyze all of the information contained in this Official Statement, including the Appendices hereto, and any additional information in the form of the complete documents summarized herein, copies of which are available as described herein.

Limitation on Enforcement of Remedies

The enforcement of the remedies applicable to the Bonds under the Bond Resolution may be limited or restricted by laws relating to bankruptcy and insolvency and by the rights of creditors under the application of general principles of equity, and may be substantially delayed or subject to judicial discretion in the event of litigation or the use of statutory remedial procedures. All legal opinions concerning the enforceability of the Bonds delivered in connection with the Bonds contain an exception with respect to the limitations that may be imposed by bankruptcy and insolvency laws and by the rights of creditors under general principles of equity.

Risk of Bankruptcy

The obligations of the District under the Bonds and the Bond Resolution are general obligations of the District and are secured by the pledge of the District’s full faith, credit, and taxing power, any moneys held in the District’s Sinking Fund (on a parity with all other general obligation indebtedness of the District) or the Bond Payment Fund established under the Bond Resolution, and the statutory lien provided by the Municipal

Bankruptcy Law. A bondholder's enforcement of any remedy provided by the Bond Resolution may be limited or delayed in the event of the application of any federal bankruptcy laws or any other laws affecting creditors' rights generally, and may be substantially delayed and subject to judicial discretion in the event of litigation or required use of statutory remedial procedures. The validity and priority of the statutory lien provided by the Municipal Bankruptcy Law have not been adjudicated in any Chapter 9 bankruptcy proceeding or otherwise.

In accordance with the Municipal Bankruptcy Law, the District is permitted to file a petition for relief under Chapter 9 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") without the prior approval of any official or department of state government, including the Kentucky Department for Local Government's State Local Debt Officer. If the District were to file such a petition, the filing would operate as an automatic stay of the commencement or continuation of any judicial or other proceedings against the District and any interest in (a) any moneys contained in the Sinking Fund or the Bond Payment Fund, (b) the District's general fund revenues, or (c) the District's taxing power. However, any such petition does not stay the application of pledged special revenues, as defined by the Bankruptcy Code.

During its bankruptcy proceedings, the District could use its property, including its tax receipts and the proceeds thereof, but excluding any pledged special revenues, for the benefit of its bankruptcy estate, despite the claims of its creditors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is possible that the District could use its pledged special revenues to pay certain operating expenses, even after filing its bankruptcy petition.

In a Chapter 9 proceeding under the Bankruptcy Code, only the District, and not any other creditor or party in interest, could file a proposed plan of adjustment. The plan of adjustment is the vehicle for satisfying, and provides for the comprehensive treatment of, all of the claims against the District, and could result in the modification of the rights of any class of creditors, whether secured or unsecured, which modification of rights could be contrary to state law. For a plan to be confirmed, except for one exception discussed below, it must be approved by the vote of each class of impaired creditors. A class of impaired creditors approves a plan if, of those who vote, those holding more than one-half in number and at least two-thirds in amount vote in favor of the plan. If fewer than all impaired classes vote to accept the plan, the plan may nevertheless be confirmed by the bankruptcy court, and all claims and interests would be bound thereby, regardless of whether or how they voted. For this "cramdown" to occur, at least one of the impaired classes must vote to accept the plan and the bankruptcy court must determine that the plan does not "discriminate unfairly" and is "fair and equitable" with respect to the non-consenting classes. In addition, for a plan of adjustment to be confirmed, the bankruptcy court must also determine that the plan, among other requirements, is proposed in good faith and is in the best interest of creditors, such that the plan of adjustment represents a reasonable effort by the District to satisfy its debts and is a better alternative than dismissal of the bankruptcy case. Unlike in a Chapter 11 proceeding, in a Chapter 9 proceeding, this standard does not include the use of a liquidation analysis.

Generally, the District would likely receive a discharge of its debts after (i) the plan of adjustment is confirmed; (ii) the District deposits any consideration to be distributed under the plan with a disbursing agent appointed by the bankruptcy court; and (iii) the bankruptcy court determines that the securities so deposited with the disbursing agent will constitute valid and legal obligations of the District and that any provision made to pay, or to secure the payment of, such obligations is valid.

See the additional discussion regarding the statutory pledge of tax revenues provided for the Bonds under the heading "SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS – Statutory Lien" herein. Prospective bondholders should consult their legal counsel regarding the impact of a bankruptcy filing by the District on the payment and security of the Bonds.

Suitability of Investment

An investment in the Bonds involves a certain degree of risk. The interest rates borne by the Bonds are intended to compensate the investor for assuming this element of risk. Prospective investors should carefully examine this Official Statement in its entirety, including the Appendices hereto, and assess their ability to bear the economic risk of such an investment and determine whether or not the Bonds are an appropriate investment for them.

Additional Debt

The District may, from time to time, issue additional general obligation bonds or notes. The issuance of additional general obligation bonds or notes would increase the District's overall debt service requirements and could adversely affect the debt service coverage on the Bonds.

General Economic Conditions

Adverse general economic conditions may result in, among other adverse circumstances, a reduction in general tax revenues of the District or a decrease in the District's investment portfolio values, resulting in increased funding requirements, which could negatively impact the results of operations and overall financial condition of the District.

Market for the Bonds

There is presently no secondary market for the Bonds and no assurance that a secondary market will develop. Consequently, investors may not be able to resell any of the Bonds they purchase should they need or wish to do so for emergency or other purposes.

Bond Rating

There can be no assurance that the municipal bond rating assigned to the Bonds at the time of their issuance will not be lowered or withdrawn at any time in the future, the effect of which could adversely affect the market price for the Bonds and the marketability of the Bonds. For additional information, see "RATING" herein.

Tax Implications

Prospective purchasers of the Bonds may need to consult their own tax advisors before purchasing any Bonds regarding the impact of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), upon their acquisition, holding, or disposition of the Bonds.

THE DISTRICT

General

The District is an independent school district and political subdivision of the Commonwealth existing under and by virtue of Chapter 160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes. In accordance with Section 160.160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the District is under the management and control of its Board of Education, consisting of five members elected by the voters of the City of Covington, Kentucky on a non-partisan ballot to serve a four-year term. Each year, the Board elects a Chair and Vice Chair from its members to serve a one-year term. The Superintendent of the District serves as the executive agent of the Board and has the authority and responsibility to implement Board policy.

The Board has general control and management of all public schools within the District, including the control and management of all public school funds and school property, and may use such funds and property to promote public education within the District. The Board has the power, among others, to levy tax rates in

compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements and to issue bonds to build and construct improvements to the public schools and related facilities within the District.

The members of the Board of Education of the District are as follows:

Tom Haggard, Chair
Stephen Gastright, Vice Chair
Michelle Williams
Hannah Edelen
Kareem Simpson

Kentucky Department of Education Supervision

No later than September 30 of each year, the District is required to submit to the Kentucky Department of Education (the “KDE”) a tentative and working budget, on forms prescribed and furnished by the KDE, showing the amount of money needed for current expenses, debt service, capital outlay, and other necessary expenses of the District during the succeeding fiscal year, as well as the estimated amount that will be received from all other sources. The working budget shall be disapproved by the KDE if (i) it is financially unsound, (ii) it fails to provide for (a) the payment of maturing principal and interest on any outstanding voted school improvement bonds, or (b) the payment of rentals in connection with any outstanding school building revenue bonds, or (iii) it fails to comply with any applicable law.

Each year, upon the receipt of local property assessments from the Kentucky Department of Revenue, the KDE certifies to the District (i) the general tax rate that the District could levy under Section 160.470(1) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes and the amount of revenue expected to be produced, (ii) the compensating tax rate, as defined in Section 132.010 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, for the District’s general tax rate and the amount of revenue expected to be produced, and (c) the general tax rate which will produce, respectively, no more revenue from real property, exclusive of any revenue from new property, than 4% over the amount of revenue produced by the compensating tax rate described in (ii) above, and the amount of revenue expected to be produced. Within thirty days after the District has received its tax assessment data, the rates levied by the District shall be forwarded to the KDE for its approval or disapproval.

KDE supervision also extends to other areas of local school finance, including supervision of general operations, such as the examination of business methods and accounts of the District and requirements for the submission to the KDE of prompt, detailed reports of all receipts and expenditures. The KDE also requires all local school districts, including the District, who have entered into contracts for the issuance of bonds to arrange for insurance protection in an amount equal to the full insurable value of the buildings and for the continuous retention of such insurance. KDE’s supervision and control over local school districts in the Commonwealth is believed to be a major contribution toward the maintenance of Kentucky’s perfect record of no defaults in the payment of its revenue bonds for school purposes.

Commonwealth Support for Education

The 1990 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly enacted a comprehensive legislative package known as the Kentucky Education Reform Act (“KERA”), which became fully effective on July 13, 1990. KERA was designed to comply with the mandate of the Kentucky Supreme Court that the Kentucky General Assembly provide for an efficient and equitable system of schools throughout the Commonwealth. Under KERA, elementary and secondary education in the Commonwealth is supervised by the Commissioner of Education, as the Chief Executive Officer of the KDE, an appointee of the Kentucky Board of Education. Some salient features of KERA are as follows:

Section 157.330 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes created the fund to Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (“SEEK”), which is funded from biennial appropriations from the Kentucky General Assembly

for distribution to school districts. This base funding guaranteed to each school district by SEEK for operating and capital expenditures is determined in each fiscal year by dividing the total annual SEEK appropriation by the state-wide total of pupils in average daily attendance (“ADA”) in the preceding fiscal year. The ADA for each district is subject to adjustment to reflect the number of at risk students (i.e., any students approved for free lunch programs under state and federal guidelines) in the district, the number and type of exceptional students in the district, and the transportation costs of the district.

Section 157.440(1) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes provides that for fiscal years beginning July 1, 1990, each school district may levy an equivalent tax rate that will produce up to 15% of its guaranteed SEEK funding. Any increase beyond the 4% annual limitation imposed by Section 132.017 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes is not subject to the recall provisions of that Section. All revenue generated by the 15% levy is to be equalized at 150% of the state-wide average per pupil equalized assessment.

Section 157.440(2) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes also permits school districts to levy up to 30% of the revenues guaranteed by SEEK, plus the revenue produced by the 15% levy, but such additional tax will not be equalized with state funding and will be subject to recall by a simple majority of those voting on the question.

Section 157.620(1) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes provides that in order for a school district to be eligible for participation from the Commission for the payment of debt service on the district’s bond issues, the district must levy a tax which will produce revenues equivalent to \$0.05 per \$100.00 of the total assessed value of all property in the district (including tangible and intangible property and motor vehicles) in addition to the minimum \$0.30 levy. A district having a special voted tax which is equal to or higher than the required \$0.05 tax must commit and segregate for capital purposes at least an amount equal to the required \$0.05 tax. Any district that levies the additional \$0.05 tax is also eligible to participate in the Facilities Support Program of Kentucky (“FSPK”), for which funds are appropriated separately from SEEK funds and are distributed to districts in accordance with a formula that takes into account a district’s outstanding debt and funds available for the payment of debt service from both local and state sources.

Section 160.460 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes provides that as of July 1, 1994, all real property located in the Commonwealth subject to local taxation shall be assessed at 100% of fair cash value.

Section 156.029 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes provided for the establishment of the Kentucky Board of Education, consisting of eleven members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate of the Kentucky General Assembly. Seven members of the Kentucky Board of Education shall represent each of the Kentucky Supreme Court districts throughout the Commonwealth and four members shall represent the Commonwealth at large. The Kentucky Board of Education develops and adopts the regulations that govern all 171 public school districts in the Commonwealth and the actions of the KDE.

Revenue Sources within the District

General Property and Motor Vehicle Tax

The Board of the District levies a tax on real estate, personal property, and motor vehicles at a specific rate per \$100.00 of assessed valuation. See “Appendix B – Tax Base, Operating, and Demographic Data” hereto for the rates assessed over the previous five-year period.

SEEK Program

The SEEK Program allocates biennial appropriations from the Kentucky General Assembly to each school district in Kentucky. The base level of funding is determined for each fiscal year by dividing the total annual SEEK appropriation by the state-wide total of pupils in average daily attendance in the preceding fiscal

year. Each district's share of SEEK funding is subject to adjustment in order to reflect various factors. See "COMMONWEALTH SUPPORT FOR EDUCATION" for more details.

See "Appendix B – Tax Base, Operating, and Demographic Data" hereto for a recent history of the SEEK Program appropriations to the District.

Capital Outlay Allotment

The SEEK Program also provides for an annual payment to all Kentucky school districts for capital construction or acquisition (the "Capital Outlay Allotment"). Funds from the Capital Outlay Allotment are not directly pledged for debt service but, as a practical matter, and to the extent needed, have been and will continue to be applied to debt service through rental payments on lease agreements or general obligation bond payments.

The Commonwealth has established a formula to calculate Capital Outlay Allotments, which results in the allocation of funds to a district for capital expenditures at a rate of \$100.00 per average daily pupils in attendance. Capital Outlay Allotments are required to be segregated into the Capital Outlay Allotment Fund and may be used only for (i) the direct payment of construction costs; (ii) the payment of debt service on voted and funding bonds; (iii) the payment of lease rental payments or general obligation bond payments in support of bond issues; (iv) the reduction of any deficits resulting from over-expenditures for any emergency capital construction; and (v) the establishment of a reserve for each of the categories enumerated in (i) through (iv).

The Capital Outlay Allotment received by the District for the most recent five-year period is set forth in "Appendix B – Tax Base, Operating, and Demographic Data" hereto.

FSPK Program

The FSPK Program provides funds for districts to support debt service and capital expenditures. The amount of FSPK funds a particular district receives is based on a funding formula that takes into consideration such district's average daily attendance and the amount of local revenue generated on such district's tax base relative to a state-wide average assessment.

See "Appendix B – Tax Base, Operating, and Demographic Data" hereto for a recent history of the FSPK Program appropriations to the District.

Tax Base Information

Homestead Exemption

Section 170 of the Kentucky Constitution was amended by Kentucky voters at the General Election held on November 2, 1971, to exempt from property taxes the first \$6,500 of single-unit residential property of taxpayers 65 years of age or older. After that election, the 1972 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly enacted Section 132.810 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes in order to establish the qualifications for the homestead exemption and to provide for the application thereof. In later legislative sessions, the Kentucky General Assembly amended Section 132.810 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, (i) to enlarge the "single-unit" qualification to allow the homestead exemption to apply to real property "held by legal or equitable title, by the entireties, jointly, in common, as a condominium" maintained as the permanent residence of the owner, (ii) to construe the \$6,500 exemption to mean \$6,500 in terms of the purchasing power of the dollar in 1972, (iii) to allow the maximum exemption to be adjusted every two years if the cost of living index of the United States Department of Labor has changed as much as 1% over the preceding two-year period, and (iv) to permit counties and school districts to adjust local tax revenues through increases in tax rates on non-exempt property to generate tax revenues in an amount equivalent to the revenues lost through the application of the homestead exemption. The amount of the individual homestead exemption for the current tax period is \$49,100.

Limitation on Taxation

The 1990 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly, in enacting the comprehensive KERA legislative package, (i) amended the provisions of Section 160.470 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, which prohibited school districts from levying ad valorem property taxes that would generate revenues in excess of 4% of the previous year's revenues without such levy being subject to recall, and (ii) amended Section 157.440 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, for the purpose of creating an exception to the referendum and public hearing requirements of Section 160.470 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes for certain taxes levied by school districts.

Under Section 160.470(9) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, for fiscal years beginning July 1, 1990, school districts are permitted to levy a "minimum equivalent tax rate" of \$0.30 for general school purposes. The "equivalent tax rate" is defined as the rate that results when the income collected during the prior year from all taxes (including occupational and utility taxes) levied by the district for school purposes is divided by the total assessed value of property plus the assessment for motor vehicles certified by the Kentucky Department of Revenue. Failure to levy the minimum equivalent rate subjects the board of the district to removal. Levies permitted by Section 160.470(9) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes are not subject to the public hearing or recall provisions set forth in Section 160.470(7) and (8) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Under Section 157.440(1) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes for fiscal years beginning July 1, 1990, school districts are permitted to levy an "equivalent tax rate," as defined in Section 160.470(9) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, which will produce up to 15% of those revenues guaranteed by the SEEK Program. Levies permitted by Section 157.440(1) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes are not subject to the public hearing or recall provisions as set forth in Section 160.470(7) and (8) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Section 159 of the Kentucky Constitution requires the collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on contracted indebtedness and to retire indebtedness over a period not exceeding forty years.

Appendix D to this Official Statement contains a Statement of Indebtedness for the District, certified by the Treasurer of the Board, which sets forth the property tax rates currently levied by the District and certifies that the issuance of the Bonds will not cause such tax rates to increase to an amount in excess of the above-described maximum permissible rates.

Investment Policy

Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes sets forth the requirements and limitations relating to investments by the state's political subdivisions, including the District. In accordance with the provisions thereof, the District must adopt an investment policy and may only invest its funds, with the approval of the Kentucky Board of Education, in the classifications of obligations which are eligible for investment, which includes:

- (a) Obligations of the United States and its agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations subject to repurchase agreements, if delivery of such obligations is taken either directly or through an authorized custodian. These investments may be accomplished through repurchase agreements reached with sources including, but not limited to, national or state banks chartered in Kentucky;
- (b) Obligations and contracts for the future delivery or purchase of obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the United States or a United States governmental agency, including, but not limited to:
 - 1. United States Treasury obligations;
 - 2. United States Export-Import Bank notes or guaranteed participation certificates;
 - 3. Farmers Home Administration insured notes;
 - 4. Governmental National Mortgage Corporation obligations; and

5. Merchant Marine bonds;
- (c) Obligations of any corporation of the United States government, including, but not limited to:
 1. the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation;
 2. Federal Farm Credit Banks;
 3. the Bank for Cooperatives (CoBank);
 4. Federal Intermediate Credit Banks;
 5. Federal Land Banks;
 6. Federal Home Loan Banks;
 7. the Federal National Mortgage Association; and
 8. the Tennessee Valley Authority;
 - (d) Certificates of deposit or other interest-bearing accounts issued through any bank or savings and loan institution having a physical presence in Kentucky which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or a similar entity or which are collateralized, to the extent uninsured, by any obligations, including surety bonds, permitted by Section 41.240(4) of the Kentucky Revised Statutes;
 - (e) Uncollateralized certificates of deposit issued by a bank or savings and loan institution having a physical presence in Kentucky rated in one of the three highest categories by a competent rating agency;
 - (f) Bankers' acceptances for banks rated in one of the three highest categories by a competent rating agency;
 - (g) Commercial paper rated in the highest category by a competent rating agency;
 - (h) Bonds or certificates of indebtedness of this state and of its agencies and instrumentalities;
 - (i) Securities issued by a state or local government, or any instrumentality or agency thereof, in the United States, and rated in one of the three highest categories by a competent rating agency;
 - (j) Shares of mutual funds, each of which shall have the following characteristics:
 1. The mutual fund shall be an open-end diversified investment company registered under the Federal Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended;
 2. The management company of the investment company shall have been in operation for at least five years; and
 3. All of the securities in the mutual fund shall be eligible investments hereunder;
 - (k) Individual equity securities, if the funds being invested will be managed by a professional investment manager that is regulated by a federal regulatory agency. The individual equity securities shall be included within the Standard and Poor's 500 Index, and a single sector shall not exceed 25% of the equity allocation; and
 - (l) Individual high-quality corporate bonds managed by a professional investment manager and that:
 1. Are issued, assumed, or guaranteed by a solvent institution created and existing under the laws of the United States;
 2. Have a standard maturity of no more than ten years; and
 3. Are rated in the three highest rating categories by at least two competent credit rating agencies.

The District's current investment policy adopted on July 22, 2021 matches the investments permitted by Section 66.480 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

The District values legality, safety, liquidity, and yield, in that order.

Debt Limitation

Section 158 of the Kentucky Constitution provides that taxing districts, including the District, shall not incur indebtedness to an amount exceeding 2% of the value of the taxable property therein, as estimated by the last assessment previous to the incurring of the indebtedness; provided, however, that Section 158 of the Kentucky Constitution also provides that nothing shall prevent the issue of any renewal bonds or bonds to fund the floating indebtedness of any city, county, or taxing district. In addition, Section 158 of the Kentucky Constitution also grants the Kentucky General Assembly the power, subject to the limits and conditions set forth in Section 158 and elsewhere in the Kentucky Constitution, to establish additional limits on indebtedness and the conditions under which debt may be incurred by cities, counties, and taxing districts.

Section 66.041 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes provides the same limitations on indebtedness as are set forth in Section 158 of the Kentucky Constitution, and further states that the debt limitations apply to "net indebtedness." In calculating "net indebtedness," Section 66.031 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes provides that certain obligations of a city, county, or taxing district are not to be considered as "indebtedness," including any notes issued in anticipation of bonds, self-supporting obligations, revenue bonds, special assessment debt, and other infrequently-issued types of obligations. For a complete list of all of the District's debt exempt from the calculation of "net indebtedness," see the Statement of Indebtedness attached hereto as Appendix D.

Appendix D to this Official Statement contains a Statement of Indebtedness for the District, certified by the Treasurer of the Board, that calculates the amount of the outstanding obligations of the District (including the Bonds) that are subject to the 2% total direct debt limit. The total principal amount of general obligation debt that could be issued by the District, subject to the 2% debt limitation, is \$49,538,484, and the District's net debt subject to such limit presently outstanding (including the Bonds) is \$12,835,000*, leaving a balance of approximately \$36,703,484* borrowing capacity issuable within such limitation.

However, as described under the heading "THE DISTRICT – Tax Base Information – Limitation on Taxation" herein, the District's ability to incur debt in these amounts is also restricted by tax limitations. In the case of general obligation debt, both the debt limitation and tax limitation must be met.

Bond Anticipation Notes

As provided by Section 56.513 and Section 58.150 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, school districts are authorized to issue notes from time to time, including renewal notes, in anticipation of the issuance of any bonds, upon the same terms and conditions as bonds, except bond anticipation notes may be sold by private, negotiated sale in any manner determined or authorized by the board of education of the district. The ability of a school district to retire its bond anticipation notes from the proceeds of the sale of either bonds or renewal notes will ultimately depend upon the marketability of such bonds or renewal notes under the market conditions prevailing at the time of such sale.

LEGAL MATTERS

General

Legal matters incident to the issuance of the Bonds and with regard to the tax-exempt status thereof are subject to the approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, as Bond Counsel for the Bonds. Upon

* Preliminary, subject to adjustment.

delivery to the successful bidder therefor, the Bonds will be accompanied by an approving legal opinion dated the date of such delivery, rendered by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP. A draft of the approving legal opinion for the Bonds is set forth in “Appendix E – Form of Approving Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel” hereto.

As Bond Counsel, Dinsmore & Shohl LLP has performed certain functions to assist the District in the preparation of this Official Statement. However, the firm assumes no responsibility for, and will express no opinion regarding the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement or any other information relating to the District or the Bonds that may be made available by the District or others to the bidders, the holders of the Bonds, or any other persons.

The engagement of the firm as Bond Counsel for the Bonds is limited to (i) the preparation of certain documents contained in the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds, and (ii) an examination of such transcript of proceedings incident to rendering its approving legal opinion for the Bonds. In its capacity as Bond Counsel, the firm has reviewed the information set forth in this Official Statement under the Sections entitled “THE BONDS – Authority for Issuance,” “SECURITY AND SOURCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS,” “THE DISTRICT – Tax Base Information – Limitation on Taxation,” “THE DISTRICT – Debt Limitation,” “LEGAL MATTERS – General,” and “LEGAL MATTERS – Tax Treatment,” which review did not include independent verification of the financial statements and the statistical data included therein, if any.

Transcript and Closing Certificates

A complete transcript of proceedings for the Bonds, including a no litigation certification and other appropriate closing documents, will be delivered by the District when the Bonds are delivered to the original purchaser thereof. At the time of delivery, the District will also provide the original purchaser of the Bonds with a certification, executed by the Chair or the Treasurer of the Board or the Finance Director of the District, and addressed to such purchaser, relating to the accuracy and completeness of this Official Statement.

Litigation

To the knowledge of the District, no litigation, administrative action, or other proceeding is pending or threatened directly affecting the Bonds, the security for the Bonds, or the improvements being financed with the proceeds of the Bonds. A no litigation certification to that effect will be delivered to the original purchaser of the Bonds at the time of the delivery of the Bonds.

Tax Treatment

General

In the opinion of Bond Counsel, based on an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings, and court decisions in effect as of the date hereof, interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that interest on the Bonds will not be a specific item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals (for a discussion of the corporate alternative minimum tax, see “LEGAL MATTERS – Tax Treatment – Corporate Alternative Minimum Tax” herein). In addition, Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that interest on the Bonds will be exempt from Kentucky income taxation and that the Bonds will be exempt from ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and any of its political subdivisions.

A copy of the opinion of Bond Counsel to be delivered concurrently with the issuance of the Bonds is set forth in “Appendix E – Form of Approving Legal Opinion of Bond Counsel” hereto.

The Code imposes various restrictions, conditions, and requirements with respect to the exclusion of interest on certain obligations, including the Bonds, from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The

District has covenanted to comply with certain restrictions designed to ensure that interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any failure to comply with these covenants could result in the interest on the Bonds being includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes, and such inclusion could be required retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel assumes compliance with these covenants. However, Bond Counsel has not undertaken to determine (or to inform any person) whether any actions taken (or not taken) or any events occurring (or not occurring) after the date of issuance of the Bonds may adversely affect the tax status of interest on the Bonds.

Certain requirements and procedures contained or referred to in the Bonds and any other documents related thereto may be changed, and certain actions (including, without limitation, the defeasance of the Bonds) may be taken or omitted under the circumstances and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Bonds or such other documents. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any Bonds or the tax status of the interest thereon if any such change occurs or any such action is taken or omitted upon the advice or approval of bond counsel other than Dinsmore & Shohl LLP.

Although Bond Counsel is of the opinion that the interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes and that interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for Kentucky income tax purposes, the ownership or disposition of, or the accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds may otherwise affect a Bondholder's federal, state, or local tax liabilities. The nature and extent of these tax consequences may depend upon the particular tax status of the Bondholder or the Bondholder's other items of income or deduction. Bond Counsel expresses no opinions regarding any tax consequences other than what is set forth in its opinion, and each Bondholder or potential Bondholder is urged to consult with its tax counsel with respect to the effects of the purchasing, holding, or disposing of the Bonds on the tax liabilities of the individual or entity.

Receipt of tax-exempt interest, ownership, or disposition of the Bonds may result in other collateral federal, state, or local tax consequences for certain taxpayers. Such effects may include, without limitation, increasing the federal tax liability of certain foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax imposed by Section 884 of the Code; increasing the federal tax liability of certain insurance companies under Section 832 of the Code; increasing the federal tax liability and affecting the status of certain S Corporations subject to Section 1362 and Section 1375 of the Code; increasing the federal tax liability of certain individual recipients of Social Security or the Railroad Retirement benefits under Section 86 of the Code; and limiting the amount of the Earned Income Credit under Section 32 of the Code that might otherwise be available. Ownership of the Bonds may also result in the limitation of interest and certain other deductions for financial institutions and certain taxpayers under Section 265 of the Code. Finally, the residence of a bondholder in a state other than Kentucky or a bondholder being subject to tax in a state other than Kentucky may result in income or other tax liabilities being imposed on such bondholder by such states or their political subdivisions based on the interest or other income from the Bonds.

The District has designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265 of the Code.

Original Issue Premium

"Acquisition Premium" is the excess of the cost of a bond over the stated redemption price of the bond at maturity or, for bonds that have one or more earlier call dates, the amount payable at the next call date. The Bonds that bear an interest rate that is higher than the yield (as shown on the cover page hereof) are initially being offered and sold to the public at an Acquisition Premium (the "Premium Bonds"). For federal income tax purposes, the amount of Acquisition Premium on each bond, the interest on which is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes (each, a "tax-exempt bond"), must be amortized and will reduce the bondholder's adjusted basis in the bond. However, no amount of amortized Acquisition Premium on any tax-exempt bonds may be deducted in determining a bondholder's taxable income for federal income tax purposes.

The Acquisition Premium paid on any Premium Bonds or on any of the other Bonds that must be amortized during any period will be based on the “constant yield” method, using the original bondholder’s basis in the bonds and compounding semiannually. This amount will be amortized ratably over that semiannual period on a daily basis.

Holders of any Bonds, including any Premium Bonds, purchased at an Acquisition Premium should consult their own tax advisors as to the actual effect of such Acquisition Premium with respect to their own tax situation and as to the treatment of Acquisition Premium for state tax purposes.

Original Issue Discount

The Bonds having a yield that is higher than the interest rate (as shown on the cover page hereof) are being offered and sold to the public at an original issue discount (“OID”) from the amounts payable on such Bonds (the “Discount Bonds”) at maturity. OID is an amount equal to the excess of the stated redemption price of a bond at maturity (the face amount) over the “issue price” of such bond. The issue price is the initial offering price to the public (other than to bond houses, brokers, or similar persons acting in the capacity of underwriters or wholesalers) at which a substantial amount of bonds of the same maturity are sold in accordance with that initial offering. For federal income tax purposes, OID on each bond will accrue over the term of such bond, and for the Discount Bonds, the amount of such accretion will be based on a single rate of interest, compounded semiannually (the “yield to maturity”). The amount of OID that accrues during each semiannual period will do so ratably over that period on a daily basis. With respect to an initial purchaser of a Discount Bond at its issue price, the portion of OID that accrues during the period that such purchaser owns such Discount Bond will be added to the purchaser’s tax basis for purposes of determining the gain or loss on such Discount Bond at the maturity, redemption, sale, or other disposition of that Discount Bond and thus, in practical effect, will be treated as stated interest, which is excludable from the gross income of the purchaser for federal income tax purposes.

In addition to the foregoing, the OID that accrues in each year to the owner of any Discount Bond will be included in the calculation of the distribution requirements of certain regulated investment companies and may result in some of the collateral federal income tax consequences discussed above. Consequently, owners of any of the Discount Bonds should be aware that the accrual of OID in each year may result in an alternative minimum tax liability, additional distribution requirements, or other collateral federal income tax consequences even though the owner of such Discount Bond has not received any cash attributable to the OID accruing in such year.

Holders of Discount Bonds should consult their own tax advisors as to the treatment of OID and the tax consequences of the purchase of such Discount Bonds other than at the issue price during the initial public offering and as to the treatment of OID for state tax purposes.

Corporate Alternative Minimum Tax

The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 imposes a new corporate alternative minimum tax equal to 15% of the “adjusted financial statement income” of an “applicable corporation,” both as defined in Section 59(k) of the Code. Generally, an applicable corporation includes any corporation (as defined for federal income tax purposes, other than S corporations, regulated investment companies, and real estate investment trusts) with an “average annual adjusted financial statement income” of more than \$1,000,000,000 over any preceding period of three tax years (ending with a tax year ending after December 31, 2021). The corporate alternative minimum tax applies for all tax years beginning after December 31, 2022. Under the Inflation Reduction Act, interest on tax-exempt bonds, such as the interest on the Bonds, is included (i) in computing “average annual adjusted financial statement income” for the purposes of determining whether a corporation qualifies as an “applicable corporation,” and (ii) in determining an applicable corporation’s “adjusted financial statement income” for the

purposes of calculating the alternative minimum tax imposed on applicable corporations under Section 55 of the Code, regardless of the issue date of such tax-exempt bonds.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

In accordance with Rule 15c2-12 (the “Rule”) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”), the District will execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Certificate to be dated the date of issuance of the Bonds (the “Continuing Disclosure Certificate”), the form of which is set forth in “Appendix F – Form of Continuing Disclosure Certificate” hereto, for the benefit of all parties who may become registered owners or beneficial owners of the Bonds from time to time. Under the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, so long as the Bonds remain outstanding, the District will agree to comply with the provisions of the Rule by causing the following the following information to be provided:

- (i) to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the “MSRB”), or to any successor thereto for purposes of the Rule, through the continuing disclosure service portal provided by the MSRB’s Electronic Municipal Market Access (“EMMA”) system, as described in 1934 Act Release No. 59062, or any similar system that is acceptable to the SEC, for each fiscal year of the District, certain annual financial information and operating data of the District (the “Annual Financial Information”), including the audited financial statements of the District, generally consistent with (i) the financial information and operating data of the District set forth under the following headings (or their functional equivalents) of Appendix B to the Offering Document: “Assessed Value of Property,” “Historical Tax Rates,” “Tax Collection History,” “Top Ten Taxpayers,” “Attendance,” and “SEEK Report,” and (ii) the audited financial statements of the District set forth in “Appendix C – Audited Financial Statements of the District for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023” hereto. The Annual Financial Information shall be provided annually, no later than 270 days after the end of the fiscal year ending on the preceding June 30, commencing with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, provided, however, that the audited financial statements may not be available by such date, but shall be made available immediately upon delivery thereof by the auditors for the District; and
- (ii) to the MSRB, through EMMA, in a timely manner, not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event, notice of the occurrence of the following events with respect to the Bonds:
 - (a) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
 - (b) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
 - (c) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
 - (d) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
 - (e) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
 - (f) Adverse tax opinions, 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 status of the security, or any other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security;
 - (g) Modifications to rights of security holders, if material;
 - (h) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers (except for any mandatory scheduled redemptions not otherwise contingent upon the occurrence of an event);
 - (i) Defeasances;
 - (j) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, if material;
 - (k) Rating changes;

- (l) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or other similar event of the District (Note: This event is considered to occur upon the occurrence of any of the following: The appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or similar officer for the District in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or under any other state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession of such assets or business, but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District);
 - (m) The consummation of any merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District, 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 in accordance with its terms, if material;
 - (n) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material;
 - (o) Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the District, if material, or an agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the District, any of which affect its security holders, if material; and
 - (p) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or any other similar events under the terms of any Financial Obligation of the District, any of which reflect financial difficulties.
- (iii) in a timely manner, to the MSRB through EMMA, notice of a failure (of which the District has knowledge) of the District to provide the required Annual Financial Information on or before the date specified in the Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

“Financial Obligation” shall mean (a) a debt obligation, (b) a derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation, or (c) a guarantee of either (a) or (b). The term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

Any or all of the items listed above may be incorporated by reference to other documents, including official statements of debt issues of the District or related public entities, which are available to the public on the MSRB’s Internet website or filed with the SEC.

The Continuing Disclosure Certificate provides bondholders, including the beneficial owners of the Bonds, with certain enforcement rights in the event of failure by the District to comply with the terms thereof; however, a default under the Continuing Disclosure Certificate does not constitute an event of default under the Bond Resolution. The Continuing Disclosure Certificate may also be amended or terminated under certain circumstances in accordance with the Rule as more fully described therein.

For purposes of this transaction with respect to events as set forth in the Rule:

- (a) there are no debt service reserve funds applicable to the Bonds;
- (b) there are no liquidity providers applicable to the Bonds; and

- (c) there is no property securing the repayment of the Bonds.

As of the date of this Official Statement, the District is in compliance with the reporting requirements of the Rule for the past five years for which it is an “obligated person,” as defined in the Rule. The District intends to file all future Annual Financial Information within the time requirements specified in the Rule, the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, and the District’s existing continuing disclosure undertakings relating to other outstanding debt issues, and the District has adopted policies and procedures to ensure the timely filing thereof, which policies and procedures are available to the public upon request.

Financial information regarding the District may be obtained from the Superintendent of the District at 25 East 7th Street, Covington, Kentucky 41073.

RATING

As noted on the cover page of this Official Statement, Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. (“Moody’s”) has assigned an underlying rating of “Aa3” and an enhanced rating of “Aa3” to the Bonds. Such rating reflects only the view of Moody’s. Any explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained from Moody’s at 7 World Trade Center, 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007, (212) 553-0300. The District furnished Moody’s with certain information and materials about the Bonds and themselves. Generally, rating agencies base their ratings upon such information and materials received from issuers and upon investigations, studies, and assumptions by the rating agencies.

There can be no assurance that a rating, when assigned, will continue for any given period of time or that it will not be lowered or withdrawn entirely by Moody’s if, in its judgment, the circumstances so warrant. Any such downward change in or withdrawal of a rating may have an adverse effect on the marketability and/or market price of the Bonds.

The District presently expects to furnish Moody’s with any information and materials that Moody’s may request on future general obligation bond issues. However, the District assumes no obligation to furnish any requested information and materials and may issue debt for which a rating is not requested. The failure to furnish any requested information and materials, or the issuance of debt for which a rating is not requested, may result in the suspension or withdrawal of Moody’s ratings on the District’s outstanding general obligation bonds.

UNDERWRITING

The Bonds are being purchased for reoffering by [_____] (the “Underwriter”). The Underwriter has agreed to purchase the Bonds at an aggregate purchase price of \$[_____] (reflecting the par amount of the Bonds, [plus/less] [net] original issue [premium/discount] of \$[_____] , and less underwriter’s discount of \$[_____] .) The initial public offering prices which produce the yields set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement may be changed by the Underwriter, and the Underwriter may offer and sell the Bonds to certain dealers (including dealers depositing the Bonds into investment trusts) and others at prices lower than the offering prices which produce the yields set forth on the cover page hereof.

FISCAL AGENT

Compass Municipal Advisors, LLC, Lexington, Kentucky, has acted as Fiscal Agent to the District (the “Fiscal Agent”) in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and will receive a fee, payable from the proceeds of the Bonds, for its services rendered as Fiscal Agent to the District, contingent upon the issuance and sale of the Bonds. The Fiscal Agent has compiled certain data relating to the Bonds contained herein. The Fiscal Agent is not obligated (i) to undertake, and has not undertaken, to make an independent verification of, or (ii) to assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or fairness of the information contained herein.

The Fiscal Agent is an independent financial advisory firm and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, trading, or distributing securities.

MISCELLANEOUS

To the extent any statements contained herein involve matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly stated to be such, such statements are made as such and not as representations of fact or certainty, and no representation is made that any of such statements will be realized. The information contained in this Official Statement has been derived by the District from official records and other sources and is believed by the District to be reliable, but such information, other than any information obtained from the official records of the District, has not been independently confirmed or verified by the District, and the accuracy of any such information is not guaranteed. Neither this Official Statement nor any statement which may have been made, either orally or in writing, by or on behalf of the District is to be construed as a contract with the holders of the Bonds.

This Official Statement has been duly executed and delivered in the name and on behalf of the District by the Chair of the Board of the District.

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

By: /s/ Tom Haggard
Chair

APPENDIX A

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

ESTIMATED DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BONDS AND
TOTAL ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DISTRICT

SERIES 2025 DEBT SERVICE TABLE

Fiscal Year	Principal	Interest	Total	Fiscal Year Total
11/01/25	\$0	\$148,838	\$148,838	
05/01/26	\$95,000	\$148,838	\$243,838	\$392,675
11/01/26	\$0	\$146,463	\$146,463	
05/01/27	\$200,000	\$146,463	\$346,463	\$492,925
11/01/27	\$0	\$141,463	\$141,463	
05/01/28	\$215,000	\$141,463	\$356,463	\$497,925
11/01/28	\$0	\$136,088	\$136,088	
05/01/29	\$220,000	\$136,088	\$356,088	\$492,175
11/01/29	\$0	\$130,588	\$130,588	
05/01/30	\$230,000	\$130,588	\$360,588	\$491,175
11/01/30	\$0	\$124,838	\$124,838	
05/01/31	\$245,000	\$124,838	\$369,838	\$494,675
11/01/31	\$0	\$118,713	\$118,713	
05/01/32	\$255,000	\$118,713	\$373,713	\$492,425
11/01/32	\$0	\$112,338	\$112,338	
05/01/33	\$270,000	\$112,338	\$382,338	\$494,675
11/01/33	\$0	\$105,588	\$105,588	
05/01/34	\$280,000	\$105,588	\$385,588	\$491,175
11/01/34	\$0	\$98,588	\$98,588	
05/01/35	\$295,000	\$98,588	\$393,588	\$492,175
11/01/35	\$0	\$92,688	\$92,688	
05/01/36	\$310,000	\$92,688	\$402,688	\$495,375
11/01/36	\$0	\$86,488	\$86,488	
05/01/37	\$320,000	\$86,488	\$406,488	\$492,975
11/01/37	\$0	\$80,088	\$80,088	
05/01/38	\$360,000	\$80,088	\$440,088	\$520,175
11/01/38	\$0	\$72,888	\$72,888	
05/01/39	\$375,000	\$72,888	\$447,888	\$520,775
11/01/39	\$0	\$65,388	\$65,388	
05/01/40	\$390,000	\$65,388	\$455,388	\$520,775
11/01/40	\$0	\$57,588	\$57,588	
05/01/41	\$400,000	\$57,588	\$457,588	\$515,175
11/01/41	\$0	\$49,588	\$49,588	
05/01/42	\$420,000	\$49,588	\$469,588	\$519,175
11/01/42	\$0	\$40,663	\$40,663	
05/01/43	\$590,000	\$40,663	\$630,663	\$671,325
11/01/43	\$0	\$28,125	\$28,125	
05/01/44	\$615,000	\$28,125	\$643,125	\$671,250
11/01/44	\$0	\$14,288	\$14,288	
05/01/45	\$635,000	\$14,288	\$649,288	\$663,575
Totals:	\$6,720,000	\$3,702,575	\$10,422,575	\$10,422,575

AGGREGATE DEBT SERVICE TABLE

Fiscal Year	Existing GO Debt Service	Estimated District Portion ----- Series 2025 Bonds -----			Total GO Debt Service	Total Lease Revenue Debt Service	Total Debt Service
		Principal	Interest	Total			
2025	\$228,460				\$228,460	\$1,555,239	\$1,783,698
2026	\$294,106	\$95,000	\$297,675	\$392,675	\$686,781	\$1,562,454	\$2,249,235
2027	\$284,356	\$200,000	\$292,925	\$492,925	\$777,281	\$1,572,712	\$2,349,993
2028	\$269,857	\$215,000	\$282,925	\$497,925	\$767,782	\$1,584,411	\$2,352,192
2029	\$265,858	\$220,000	\$272,175	\$492,175	\$758,033	\$1,590,977	\$2,349,010
2030	\$256,857	\$230,000	\$261,175	\$491,175	\$748,032	\$1,602,257	\$2,350,289
2031	\$318,107	\$245,000	\$249,675	\$494,675	\$812,782	\$1,539,845	\$2,352,627
2032	\$396,108	\$255,000	\$237,425	\$492,425	\$888,533	\$1,459,522	\$2,348,055
2033	\$384,858	\$270,000	\$224,675	\$494,675	\$879,533	\$1,471,202	\$2,350,734
2034	\$373,607	\$280,000	\$211,175	\$491,175	\$864,782	\$1,485,027	\$2,349,809
2035	\$359,607	\$295,000	\$197,175	\$492,175	\$851,782	\$1,496,048	\$2,347,830
2036	\$345,808	\$310,000	\$185,375	\$495,375	\$841,183	\$1,509,749	\$2,350,932
2037	\$337,207	\$320,000	\$172,975	\$492,975	\$830,182	\$1,522,457	\$2,352,640
2038	\$388,607	\$360,000	\$160,175	\$520,175	\$908,782	\$739,749	\$1,648,531
2039	\$392,608	\$375,000	\$145,775	\$520,775	\$913,383	\$735,638	\$1,649,021
2040	\$391,007	\$390,000	\$130,775	\$520,775	\$911,782	\$739,562	\$1,651,344
2041	\$394,007	\$400,000	\$115,175	\$515,175	\$909,182	\$738,766	\$1,647,948
2042	\$396,407	\$420,000	\$99,175	\$519,175	\$915,582	\$735,113	\$1,650,694
2043	\$408,208	\$590,000	\$81,325	\$671,325	\$1,079,533	\$198,369	\$1,277,902
2044	\$409,006	\$615,000	\$56,250	\$671,250	\$1,080,256	\$196,975	\$1,277,231
2045	\$414,800	\$635,000	\$28,575	\$663,575	\$1,078,375	\$195,175	\$1,273,550
2046	\$411,400			\$0	\$411,400	\$198,163	\$609,563
2047	\$412,600			\$0	\$412,600	\$195,725	\$608,325
2048	\$408,200			\$0	\$408,200	\$198,075	\$606,275
2049	\$608,400			\$0	\$608,400	\$0	\$608,400
2050	\$608,400				\$608,400	\$0	\$608,400
Totals:	\$9,758,446	\$6,720,000	\$3,702,575	\$10,422,575	\$20,181,021	\$24,823,207	\$45,004,227

APPENDIX B

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

TAX BASE, OPERATING, AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA OF THE DISTRICT

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF KENTON, KENTUCKY**

TAX BASE, OPERATING, AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Covington Independent School District (the “District”) is located in the City of Covington, Kentucky in the County of Kenton, Kentucky. The City of Covington is located in northern Kentucky at the confluence of the Ohio River and Licking Rivers, directly south of Cincinnati. The city occupies an area of 13.7 square miles, with nearly 4% covered by water.

The District is operated by a statutory Board of Education (the “Board”) organized and existing under and in accordance with Chapter 160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes and vested with the responsibility of providing for public education in the District by establishing and operating public schools. The Board consists of five members. The members of the Board are elected for a four-year term on a non-partisan ballot. Terms are staggered so that terms of not more than three members expire at the same time.

TAX BASE INFORMATION

Assessed Value of Property

Year	Total
2021	\$1,781,294,526
2022	\$1,831,443,422
2023	\$2,295,873,379
2024	\$2,401,530,051
2025	\$2,476,924,208

Source: Covington Independent Schools

Historical Tax Rates

Tax Year	Real Estate	Tangible	Motor Vehicle
2021	106.10	108.10	85.90
2022	108.10	108.30	85.90
2023	89.50	100.20	85.90
2024	92.50	96.60	85.90
2025	92.50	96.60	85.90

Source: Kentucky Department of Revenue

Tax Receipts

Fiscal Year	Taxes Collected	Taxes Budgeted	Percent Collected
2020	\$17,139,208	\$17,225,000	99.50%
2021	\$17,702,722	\$17,423,000	101.61%
2022	\$18,551,212	\$17,805,000	104.19%
2023	\$20,038,171	\$18,438,571	108.68%
2024	\$19,595,201	\$19,780,304	99.06%

Source: Audited Financial Statements

Top Taxpayers

Real Property Taxpayer	Assessed Value
Fidelity Properties Inc	\$148,302,761
CPX-Rivercenter Development Corp	83,911,618
ARCP OFC Covington LLC	82,625,000
EHP Rivercenter Landmark	25,797,600
AHIP KY Covington	22,500,000
Cambridge Preservation	16,500,000
OH-16 FO Cincinnati	16,500,000
Atkins & Pearce Manufacturing	11,937,900
FMR Kentucky LLC	11,381,800
J&S Latonia ky LLC	10,895,000

Source: Kenton County PVA 2024

OPERATING AND FINANCIAL DATA

Outstanding Bonds

Bond Series	Original Par Amount	Amount Outstanding	Approx. District Portion	Interest Rate Range	Final Maturity	Call Information
2012	\$1,090,000	\$495,000	0.00%	2.250% - 2.625%	10/01/2032	Anytime @ 100%
2014 REF	\$2,930,000	\$1,180,000	41.24%	3.000% - 3.125%	02/01/2031	Anytime @ 100%
2015 REF	\$2,530,000	\$940,000	84.06%	2.500% - 3.000%	04/01/2030	Anytime @ 100%
2016 ECB	\$8,300,000	\$6,210,000	100.00%	2.000% - 2.750%	08/01/2036	Aug. 2026 @ 100%
2016B	\$1,635,000	\$1,160,000	100.00%	2.000% - 3.000%	10/01/2036	Oct. 2026 @ 100%
2017	\$3,245,000	\$2,360,000	46.77%	2.000% - 3.250%	09/01/2037	Sept. 2027 @ 100%
2019	\$1,110,000	\$895,000	76.99%	3.000%	08/01/2039	Aug. 2026 @ 100%
2019 REF	\$1,350,000	\$670,000	5.05%	2.000% - 2.125%	04/01/2029	Non-Callable
2020	\$3,750,000	\$3,175,000	100.00%	2.000% - 2.125%	08/01/2040	Aug. 2027 @ 100%
2022	\$2,990,000	\$2,730,000	100.00%	3.500% - 5.000%	06/01/2042	June 2031 @ 100%
2023A	\$2,125,000	\$2,070,000	100.00%	4.000% - 5.000%	03/01/2048	Mar 2033 @ 100%
2024A	\$6,275,000	\$6,115,000	88.22%	4.000% - 5.000%	03/01/2048	Sep 2033 @ 100%
Totals:	\$37,330,000	\$28,000,000	---	---	---	---

Note: Report excludes KISTA Leases.

Overlapping Indebtedness

Issuer	Original Amount Issued	Amount Redeemed	Amount Outstanding
Covington Independent School District	\$37,330,000	\$9,160,000	\$28,170,000
County of Kenton ¹	\$31,320,000	\$5,235,000	\$26,085,000
City of Covington ¹	\$104,095,000	\$17,609,292	\$86,485,708
Kenton County Extension District ¹	\$1,430,000	\$235,000	\$1,195,000
Kenton County Public Library ¹	\$18,225,000	\$9,265,000	\$8,960,000
Planning & Development Services of Kentucky County ¹	\$2,225,000	\$1,330,000	\$895,000

Source: Department for Local Government 2025 Debt Report

Attendance

Year	Average Daily Attendance
2020 - 2021	3,256.845
2021 - 2022	3,433.356
2022 - 2023	3,433.356
2023 - 2024	3,298.290
2024 - 2025	3,055.702

Source: Kentucky Department of Education

SEEK Funds, FSPK Funds, and Capital Outlay Allotments

Description	Fiscal Year				
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
SEEK Funds	\$14,028,317	\$15,525,203	\$15,555,509	\$13,369,535	\$13,730,752
FSPK Funds	\$600,988	\$656,755	\$596,208	\$474,766	\$764,706
Capital Outlay Allotments	\$325,685	\$343,336	\$343,336	\$329,829	\$305,570

Source: Kentucky Department of Education

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Population

Description	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Covington	38,077	41,008	41,282	42,251	44,179
Kenton County	167,039	169,371	170,555	171,242	171,823
Northern Kentucky	394,269	400,500	403,343	404,892	406,698

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development

Population Projections

Description	2030	2035	2040
Kenton County	175,691	177,689	178,906
Northern Kentucky	493,046	502,265	509,662

Source: Kentucky State Data Center, University of Louisville

Unemployment Rate (%)

Year	Kenton County	Northern Kentucky LWA	Kentucky	United States
2019	3.4	3.4	4.1	3.7
2020	5.6	5.6	6.5	8.1
2021	4.0	3.8	4.5	5.3
2022	3.4	3.4	4.0	3.6
2023	3.7	3.7	4.2	3.6

Source: Kentucky Center for Statistics

Employment by Major Industry

City of Covington	Employees	Percent (%)
Agricultural, Forestry, Fishing	171	1.12%
Mining	15	0.10%
Construction	629	4.11%
Manufacturing	1,140	7.46%
Transportation and Communications	795	5.20%
Wholesale Trade	494	3.23%
Retail Trade	2,447	16.00%
Finance, Insurance And Real Estate	826	5.40%
Services	7,840	51.27%
Public Administration	934	6.11%
Unclassified	-	0.00%

Source: Kentucky Cabinet For Economic Development

Employment by Occupation

City of Covington	Employees	Percent (%)
Executive, Managers, and Administrators	1,655	10.82%
Protective Services	421	2.75%
Farming, Forestry, and Fishing	17	0.11%
Business and Financial Operations	696	4.55%
Computer and mathematical occupations	392	2.56%
Architecture and engineering	152	0.99%
Life/Physical/Social Science occupations	122	0.80%
Community and Social Services	523	3.42%
Legal	412	2.69%
Education/Training/Library	1,416	9.26%
Health Diagnosing and Treating Practitioners	477	3.12%
Health Technologists/Technicians	240	1.57%
Healthcare support	335	2.19%
Food Preparation/Serving	1,100	7.19%
Building and Grounds maintenance	469	3.07%
Personal care and service	310	2.03%
Sales	1,306	8.54%
Office and Administrative support	2,225	14.55%
Construction and Extraction	479	3.13%
Installation/Maintenance and Repair workers	401	2.62%
Production Workers	824	5.39%
Transportation Workers	533	3.49%
Material Moving	508	3.32%

Source: Kentucky Cabinet For Economic Development

APPENDIX C

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE DISTRICT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

Covington Independent School District

**Financial Statements
With Supplementary Information
Year Ended June 30, 2024
With Independent Auditors' Report**

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Members of the Board of Education
Covington Independent School District
Covington, Kentucky

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Covington Independent School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Covington Independent School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Covington Independent School District, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

**Independent Auditors' Report
(Continued)**

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Covington Independent School District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Covington Independent School District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the information on pages 4-12, 56-58, and 63-72 as listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

**Independent Auditors' Report
(Continued)**

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Covington Independent School District's basic financial statements. The information on pages 54-55, 59, and 73-75 as listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information on pages 54-55, 59, and 73-75 as listed in the table of contents is the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information on pages 54-55, 59, and 73-75 as listed in the table of contents is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 6, 2024 on our consideration of the Covington Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Covington Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Covington Independent School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Barnes, Dennig & Co., Ltd.

Crestview Hills, Kentucky
November 6, 2024

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) Year Ended June 30, 2024

As management of the Covington Independent School District (District), we offer readers of the District's financial statement this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information found within the body of the audit.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The beginning cash balance for the District was \$1,588,027.
- The District continues to be provided with ESSER II/ESSER III-ARP funds along with various other ESSER funds such as Homeless ARP, and Daycare CRRSA child care aid, during the FY24 school year to be used to meet the needs of our students during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Covington Independent Public Schools began construction in August 2021 on a second guaranteed energy savings contract (GESC) that will save the district \$276,466 in energy, telecommunications, and maintenance costs annually by improving the energy efficiency and environmental quality of a number of the district's facilities. Just like the previous GESC phase, Covington utilized the Kentucky Educational Development Cooperative (KEDC) guaranteed energy savings price contract. Through this transparent, competitive selection process, CIPS awarded the \$10,788,608 project to Performance Services. This project wrapped up in FY24.

Total Contract: \$10,788,608

Guaranteed Annual Energy Savings: \$276,466

Number of Buildings Impacted: 13

Scope of Work:

- Interior LED lighting improvements
- Building envelope weatherization upgrades
- New energy efficient transformers at three (3) buildings
- Complete HVAC renovation at James E. Biggs Early Childhood Education Center
- Replace rooftop units at two (2) buildings: Latonia and Glenn O. Swing Elementary
- Replace boilers at John G. Carlisle Elementary
- Replace main mechanical room equipment at Sixth District Elementary: boilers, chiller, and pumps
- Digital control system upgrade at buildings where HVAC equipment is being replaced
- District-wide telecommunications upgrade: new hosted cloud phone system
- New exterior doors and windows at two (2) buildings: Glenn O. Swing Elementary and Ninth District Elementary
- Three (3) new solar photovoltaic systems. Energy generated by these solar PV arrays will be used to offset the electrical energy cost for three (3) buildings: Glenn O. Swing Elementary, Latonia Elementary, and Sixth District Elementary.

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**Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)
Year Ended June 30, 2024
(Continued)**

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

- Covington Independent Public Schools entered into another construction project for the Holmes Campus which started in FY23 and continued into FY24. Contract price \$10,812,232.

Scope of Work:

- Renovate and update all bathrooms in Holmes High School, Holmes Middle School, and Chapman Vocational.
 - Paint, replace flooring, patch and / or replace ceilings in Holmes High and Holmes Middle School Classrooms.
 - Renovate Physical Education locker rooms, weight room, sr. gym interior finishes, flooring, lighting, goals.
 - Renovate auditorium stage floor, sound, lighting, etc.
 - Install new electrical switchgear and service at Holmes High School.
 - Reconstruct the softball field to comply with ADA and Title IX to include lights, dugout, fencing, press box, bleachers, scoreboard, netting, poles, electrical feeds, etc. on the Holmes Campus.
 - Replace front entry into the Holmes High School Cafeteria; steps, landing, porch, etc.
 - Replace damaged storm line on the west side of Holmes Middle School.
- Covington Independent Public Schools entered into another construction project for the Central Bus Garage Complex and Glenn O. Swing Elementary which started in FY23 and continued into FY24. Contract price \$1,351,818.

Scope of Work:

- Replace Central Bus Garage Complex roof on the garage and house/offices
 - Replace Central Bus Garage Complex windows, doors, covered deck, paint interior, replace sidewalks, and replace flooring
 - Renovate all restrooms and replace the physical education gym floor.
- Covington Independent Public Schools entered into another construction project for Holmes Campus Ventilation Upgrades which started in FY23 and continued into FY24. Contract price \$4,808,685.

Scope of Work:

- Replace air handlers, condensing units, transformer, uni-vents, switchgear, electric heaters, and heat pumps throughout Holmes High School.
- Covington Independent Public Schools entered into another construction project for the Chapman Vocational Building Renovation during FY23 & FY24. Starting contract price \$5,417,500.

Scope of Work:

Renovate labs for the following:

- Health/Science
- Construction - Carpentry
- Welding – Relocate lab
- MJROTC
- Business

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**Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)
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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

- Media Arts
- Computer Programming

Additional Renovations to include:

- Security Camera Upgrades
 - Door and Door Hardware Upgrades
 - IT Upgrades
 - HVAC Renovation – Replace all heat-pumps
 - Upgrade Building Signage
 - Water Fountain Upgrades
 - Waterproofing – Foundation Repairs
- Covington Independent Public Schools entered into another construction project for the Glenn O'Swing Softball Field during FY24. Starting contract price \$2,975,000.

Scope of Work:

- New Turf Softball infield with fencing and netting
 - New Softball Dugouts
 - New Softball Bullpens
 - New Entry Signage
 - New Press box / Restroom / Concessions with provisions for winterizing
 - New Grandstand spectator seating, scoreboards & sound system
 - New Storage Building not to exceed 600 square feet
 - Resurface Existing Parking Lot
 - New Batting Cage for Softball
 - New parking lot lighting for parking areas.
 - New field lighting
 - New pedestrian Site lighting for all walking paths
- We are proud to serve a diverse group of learners in Covington Independent Public Schools. The School Board generously allocates funds yearly to provide a range of programs and support services to address our students' needs.
 - Nearly 90% of our students qualify for free/reduced lunch prices. About 16% of our students are homeless and approximately 20% have a learning need that qualifies them for special education services. We have a mobility rate of about 33%, meaning one third of our students move in and out of school during the academic year. Our school mental health staff members estimate that about 75% of our students have been impacted directly or indirectly by a traumatic event. Additionally, many of our families do not have a medical home and use the local hospital emergency room for their primary medical needs.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) Year Ended June 30, 2024 (Continued)

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

Because of these factors, our Board members provide the following positions:

- A full-time school nurse in each school
- One school counselor at each elementary school, two at the middle school and four at the high school
- Nearly a full-time school psychologist in each school

These services help remove barriers to learning so that our students can focus on the instruction they receive and continue to grow academically and personally.

- During the 2023-2024 school year, Covington Independent Schools continued to refine and improve the districtwide curriculum. The district curriculum was developed to provide teachers with a deep understanding of the Kentucky Academic Standards in all content areas. The curriculum revision process is led by district experts in their respective areas, considering input from all teachers in the district. This process will continue each year as we gain a deeper understanding of standards. The district curriculum department supports principals with maintaining the fidelity of implementation of the curriculum to the intended rigor of the standards and supports leadership teams with communication with teachers about implementation concerns, monitoring of assessment performance of all schools and further professional development for teachers and administrators around all components of curriculum implementation. Our district preschool, James E. Biggs Early Childhood Education Center, has also completed this work to align the curriculum with our elementary schools.
- A concerted effort remains in place for purchasing in the areas of supplies, food and travel by using effective management strategies to reduce cost for the District. All purchase requests must be budgetary.
- District Staffing Policy is reviewed annually to monitor student reductions and staff per available funding. Any open positions are reviewed to determine if the need is still there to fill the position or restructure the position with another position already in the District.
- The District continues to educate and train the Board of Education in regard to all of the District's budgets.
- The District continues to train the schools' SBDM councils on spending the allocations within the current fiscal year.
- The District continues to strive to maintain a healthy contingency.
- The District has continued to find ways to invest the District's money until the money is needed. By doing this, the district can earn more interest. Toward the end of FY22 interest rates continued to rise. Toward the end of FY23 interest rates started to decrease. The District was able to start moving money into their investment accounts to earn additional interest. The District will continue to monitor the economy to see if investments can be done in the future. The district continued to move money into their investment accounts in FY24 to earn additional interest.
- Budgets in the District besides the SBDM budgets provided by the schools have gone through a review process with the Budget Committee to address needs/priorities of each area and adjusted accordingly.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) Year Ended June 30, 2024 (Continued)

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)

- The District continues to work with our Insurance Providers developing a Safety Committee. This committee also provides additional safety training to our employees. There has been a steady decline in Worker Compensation claims saving the District money on insurance premiums.
- The 2023-24 school year was the first year since COVID that the actual ADA was used to fund our district since the 18-19 school year. The district was funded in 2023-24 on an enrollment of 3303 and ADA of 2891.37. That was 202 fewer students enrolled since the COVID 2018-19 years. The enrollment and ADA totals for 2023-24 were an enrollment of 3283 (-20) with the ADA in 2024 was 2773.86 (-117.51). Virtual learning continues to affect the ADA in the district. The students who are virtual do not count in the ADA numbers until they complete the school year with enough credits earned to move up to the next grade. District leadership will continue to monitor the virtual learning students in 2024-25 as enrollment continues to go down. The district leadership was able to continue to show a decrease in staffing from the previous school year: 692.38 FTE's staff members in 2022-23, down to 684.64 FTE staff members at the end of the 2023-24 school year. From 2018-19 the leadership has reduced the General Fund staff to a total of 26.32 FTE positions. The more challenging reality continues to be that our student count is decreasing gradually while our English Language Learner population continues to grow which also means an increase in staff to support that population of students. The district must continue to look at all these factors as we build the budget for 24-25.
- The District administered \$24,550,670 in Federal, State and local grants during the year.
- The average teacher's salary in the District for 2024 was \$51,761. The Covington Board of Education remains committed to maintaining teachers' salaries at competitive levels.
- The General Fund had \$46,681,031 in revenue excluding interfund transfers and proceeds from sale of assets of \$1,737,543 and \$53,120, respectively. General Fund revenues primarily consisted of the state program (SEEK), property, franchise tax, motor vehicle taxes, as well as on-behalf benefits from the state. There was \$46,436,833 in General Fund expenditures, excluding interfund transfers of \$527,862 and including the on-behalf benefit payments made by the state.
- Our primary financial concern continues to be state funding which has not kept up with the increases in operating expenses due to inflation, increased salaries - some of which are a direct result of mandates by the state, and an increasing portion of the retirement shortfall that we have been asked to fund. After many years of not making the necessary contributions to fully fund the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System (TRS), the legislature passed along a portion of the funding shortfall to employees and a larger portion to school districts. As a result, our district has paid hundreds of thousands of dollars into the retirement system over the past five years and will pay millions of dollars in the future in an effort to help stabilize the fund. For the first time this year we are also being required to record the portion of the unfunded state liability in our financial statements attributable to our employees, as determined by TRS. While it remains to be seen if districts, including our own, will end up shouldering more this deficit over the years to come, if the state does not start responsibly funding the system it can be safely assumed that we will. This will continue to shift more of the responsibility for funding our education system onto the backs of school districts and subsequently local tax payers. The continual erosion of state funding makes it increasingly difficult to maintain the high standard of education and programming that our students deserve without increasing taxes locally. In this climate of shrinking state support the Covington Independent School District will maintain fiscally responsible policies in order to continue providing quality academic, extra-curricular and community service programs to all of its students.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) Year Ended June 30, 2024 (Continued)

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) district-wide financial statements; 2) fund financial statements; and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

District-wide financial statements. The district-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all of the District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the District's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The district-wide financial statements outline functions of the District that are principally supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the District include instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, student transportation and operation of non-instructional services. Fixed assets and related debt is also supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The district-wide financial statements can be found on pages 13 and 14 of this report.

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. This is a state mandated uniform system and chart of accounts for all Kentucky public school districts utilizing the MUNIS administrative software. The District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are trust funds established by benefactors to aid in student education, welfare and teacher support. The only proprietary funds are our vending and food service operations and day care operations. All other activities of the District are included in the governmental funds.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 15 through 21 of this report.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the district-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 22 through 53 of this report.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Management’s Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)
Year Ended June 30, 2024
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DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government’s financial position. In the case of the District, liabilities and deferred inflows exceeded assets and deferred outflows by \$12,795,316 as of June 30, 2024.

The largest portion of the District’s net position reflects its investment in capital assets (i.e. land and improvements, buildings and improvements, vehicles, furniture and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to its students; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the District’s investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The District’s financial position is the product of several financial transactions, including the net results of activities, the acquisition and payment of debt, the acquisition and disposal of capital assets, and the depreciation of capital assets.

Net Position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023

The following is a summary of net position for the fiscal years ended June 30:

	2024	2023
Current assets	\$ 24,486,375	\$ 23,706,043
Noncurrent assets	51,111,382	38,823,132
Total assets	75,597,757	62,529,175
Total deferred outflows	13,774,881	15,834,333
Current liabilities	4,866,255	3,728,819
Noncurrent liabilities	51,520,824	62,989,776
Total liabilities	56,387,079	66,718,595
Total deferred inflows	20,155,049	13,343,855
Net position		
Investment in capital assets (net of debt)	27,076,914	16,130,299
Restricted	(13,363,655)	(16,876,522)
Unrestricted	(882,749)	(952,719)
Total net position	\$ 12,830,510	\$ (1,698,942)

Comments on General Fund Budget Comparisons

- The District’s total revenues in the General Fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, were \$46,681,031 in revenue excluding interfund transfers and proceeds from sale of assets of \$1,737,543 and \$53,120, respectively.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Management’s Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)
Year Ended June 30, 2024
(Continued)**

DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

Comments on General Fund Budget Comparisons (Continued)

- General Fund budgeted revenue compared to actual revenue varied slightly from line item to line item with the ending actual balance being \$491,985 less than budget or approximately 1% of General Fund Budget. The majority of this variance is the result of the District recording “on-behalf” payments made by the state.
- General Fund actual expenditures were \$46,436,833, net of inter-fund transfers of \$527,862.
- General Fund actual expenditures excluding contingency were less than budgeted expenditures by \$9,275,416. This is the result of more “on-behalf” payments than originally budgeted.

The following table presents a summary of revenues and expenses for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Revenues		
Program revenues		
Charges for services	\$ 269,437	\$ 230,045
Operating grants	28,065,976	20,294,582
Total grant revenues	<u>28,335,413</u>	<u>20,524,627</u>
General Revenues		
Property taxes	21,996,731	21,186,108
Grants and entitlements	33,823,563	31,268,314
Earnings on investments	1,323,672	780,651
Miscellaneous	(1,347,720)	5,169,511
Total general revenues	<u>55,796,246</u>	<u>58,404,584</u>
Total revenues	<u>84,131,659</u>	<u>78,929,211</u>
Expenses		
Instructional	36,590,933	34,544,040
Student support services	4,923,022	4,942,753
Staff support	1,544,745	1,384,832
District administration	2,583,702	2,377,169
School administration	4,873,812	5,288,002
Business support	2,660,194	2,829,709
Plant operations	7,035,335	6,959,844
Student transportation	2,647,146	2,128,622
Community service	2,012,143	1,876,251
Facilities acquisition and construction	17,337	303,061
Food service	3,513,872	3,560,696
Daycare	529,173	165,483
Interest on long-term debt	670,793	604,540
Total expenses	<u>69,602,207</u>	<u>66,965,002</u>
Excess of revenues over expenses	<u>\$ 14,529,452</u>	<u>\$ 11,964,209</u>

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

In Kentucky, the public school fiscal year is July 1-June 30; other programs, i.e. some federal programs, operate on a different fiscal calendar, but are reflected in the District overall budget. By law, the budget must have a minimum 2% contingency. The District adopted a budget with \$6,535,000 in contingency (10.4%).

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Statement of Net Position – District Wide
As of June 30, 2024**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assets			
Current			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,097,474	\$ 668,375	\$ 2,765,849
Investments	17,282,640	-	17,282,640
Accounts receivable	4,068,855	35,857	4,104,712
Interfund receivable	280,697	-	280,697
Inventories for consumption	-	52,477	52,477
	<u>23,729,666</u>	<u>756,709</u>	<u>24,486,375</u>
Noncurrent			
Right of use asset	1,739,708	-	1,739,708
Less: Right of use asset - accumulated amortization	(735,358)	-	(735,358)
Construction in progress	6,631,767	-	6,631,767
Nondepreciated capital assets			
Land	1,393,260	-	1,393,260
Depreciated capital assets			
Land improvements	1,103,291	-	1,103,291
Buildings and improvements	69,440,254	-	69,440,254
Furniture and equipment	6,519,485	389,240	6,908,725
Less: accumulated depreciation	(35,000,975)	(369,290)	(35,370,265)
	<u>51,091,432</u>	<u>19,950</u>	<u>51,111,382</u>
Total noncurrent	<u>51,091,432</u>	<u>19,950</u>	<u>51,111,382</u>
Total assets	<u>74,821,098</u>	<u>776,659</u>	<u>75,597,757</u>
Deferred outflows	<u>13,218,980</u>	<u>555,901</u>	<u>13,774,881</u>
Liabilities			
Current			
Current portion of bonds payable	1,475,000	-	1,475,000
Current portion of lease liability	297,699	-	297,699
Accounts payable	1,431,908	578	1,432,486
Interfund payable	282,759	-	282,759
Accrued interest	204,576	-	204,576
Accrued sick leave	67,817	-	67,817
Accrued payroll and related expenses	1,556	-	1,556
Unearned revenues	1,104,362	-	1,104,362
	<u>4,865,677</u>	<u>578</u>	<u>4,866,255</u>
Total current	<u>4,865,677</u>	<u>578</u>	<u>4,866,255</u>
Noncurrent			
Accrued sick leave	610,356	-	610,356
MIF net OPEB liability	6,571,575	276,368	6,847,943
CERS net pension liability	20,920,408	879,808	21,800,216
Lease liability	714,666	-	714,666
Bond obligations	21,547,643	-	21,547,643
	<u>50,364,648</u>	<u>1,156,176</u>	<u>51,520,824</u>
Total noncurrent	<u>50,364,648</u>	<u>1,156,176</u>	<u>51,520,824</u>
Total liabilities	<u>55,230,325</u>	<u>1,156,754</u>	<u>56,387,079</u>
Deferred inflows	<u>19,341,637</u>	<u>813,412</u>	<u>20,155,049</u>
Net position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	27,056,964	19,950	27,076,914
Restricted	(12,706,099)	(657,556)	(13,363,655)
Unrestricted	(882,749)	-	(882,749)
	<u>13,468,116</u>	<u>(637,606)</u>	<u>12,830,510</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 13,468,116</u>	<u>\$ (637,606)</u>	<u>\$ 12,830,510</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Statement of Activities – District Wide
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Functions/Programs	Program Revenues				Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		Total
	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	
Governmental Activities:							
Instructional	\$ 36,590,933	\$ -	\$ 20,625,936	\$ -	\$ (15,964,997)	\$ -	\$ (15,964,997)
Student support services	4,923,022	-	596,152	-	(4,326,870)	-	(4,326,870)
Staff support services	1,544,745	-	865,603	-	(679,142)	-	(679,142)
District administration	2,583,702	-	-	-	(2,583,702)	-	(2,583,702)
School administration	4,873,812	-	250,662	-	(4,623,150)	-	(4,623,150)
Business support services	2,660,194	-	9,600	-	(2,650,594)	-	(2,650,594)
Plant operation and maintenance	7,035,335	-	59,445	-	(6,975,890)	-	(6,975,890)
Student transportation	2,647,146	-	100,976	-	(2,546,170)	-	(2,546,170)
Community service operations	2,012,143	-	2,012,010	-	(133)	-	(133)
Day care operations	30,286	-	30,286	-	-	-	-
Facility acquisition and construction	17,337	-	-	-	(17,337)	-	(17,337)
Interest on long-term debt	670,793	-	-	-	(670,793)	-	(670,793)
Total governmental activities	<u>65,589,448</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,550,670</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(41,038,778)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(41,038,778)</u>
Business-type Activities							
Food service	3,513,872	83,941	3,453,660	-	-	23,729	23,729
Daycare	498,887	185,496	61,646	-	-	(251,745)	(251,745)
Total business-type activities	<u>4,012,759</u>	<u>269,437</u>	<u>3,515,306</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(228,016)</u>	<u>(228,016)</u>
Total school district	<u>\$ 69,602,207</u>	<u>\$ 269,437</u>	<u>\$ 28,065,976</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>(41,038,778)</u>	<u>(228,016)</u>	<u>(41,266,794)</u>
			General revenues:				
			Taxes		21,996,731	-	21,996,731
			State and federal sources		33,823,563	-	33,823,563
			Investment earnings		1,271,886	51,786	1,323,672
			Miscellaneous		(1,394,289)	-	(1,394,289)
			Special items:				
			Gain on disposal of fixed assets		46,569	-	46,569
			Fund transfer		251,055	(251,055)	-
			Total general and special revenues		<u>55,995,515</u>	<u>(199,269)</u>	<u>55,796,246</u>
			Change in net position		14,956,737	(427,285)	14,529,452
			Net position - beginning		<u>(1,488,621)</u>	<u>(210,321)</u>	<u>(1,698,942)</u>
			Net position - ending		<u>\$ 13,468,116</u>	<u>\$ (637,606)</u>	<u>\$ 12,830,510</u>

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds
As of June 30, 2024**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Construction Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Assets					
Current					
Cash (overdraft) and cash equivalents	\$ (1,867,730)	\$ (2,186,545)	\$ 4,993,960	\$ 1,157,789	\$ 2,097,474
Investments	17,282,640	-	-	-	17,282,640
Accounts receivable	372,116	3,696,739	-	-	4,068,855
Interfund receivable	280,697	-	-	-	280,697
Total current	<u>\$ 16,067,723</u>	<u>\$ 1,510,194</u>	<u>\$ 4,993,960</u>	<u>\$ 1,157,789</u>	<u>\$ 23,729,666</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balance					
Current					
Accounts payable	\$ 747,736	\$ 123,073	\$ 560,283	\$ 816	\$ 1,431,908
Accrued payroll and related expenses	1,556	-	-	-	1,556
Interfund payable	-	282,759	-	-	282,759
Unearned revenues	-	1,104,362	-	-	1,104,362
Total current	<u>749,292</u>	<u>1,510,194</u>	<u>560,283</u>	<u>816</u>	<u>2,820,585</u>
Fund Balance					
Restricted:					
Capital projects	-	-	4,433,677	-	4,433,677
Other	-	-	-	1,156,973	1,156,973
Committed:					
Other	14,928,327	-	-	-	14,928,327
Site-Based carryforward	67,004	-	-	-	67,004
Assigned - Purchase obligations	323,100	-	-	-	323,100
Unassigned	-	-	-	-	-
Total fund balance	<u>15,318,431</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,433,677</u>	<u>1,156,973</u>	<u>20,909,081</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 16,067,723</u>	<u>\$ 1,510,194</u>	<u>\$ 4,993,960</u>	<u>\$ 1,157,789</u>	<u>\$ 23,729,666</u>

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position
As of June 30, 2024**

Total governmental fund balance		\$ 20,909,081
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds.		
Cost of capital assets	85,088,057	
Cost of right of use assets	1,739,708	
Right of use asset accumulated amortization	(735,358)	
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(35,000,975)</u>	51,091,432
Deferred outflows		
Bond refinancing	540	
Related to MIF	6,226,633	
MIF contributions made after the measurement date	867,095	
Related to CERS	3,702,635	
CERS contributions made after the measurement date	<u>2,422,077</u>	13,218,980
Deferred inflows		
Related to CERS	(5,112,066)	
Related to OPEB	<u>(14,229,571)</u>	(19,341,637)
Long-term liabilities (including bonds payable) are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds.		
Long-term liabilities at year end consist of:		
Bonds payable		(22,960,000)
Lease liability		(1,012,365)
Premiums on bonds, net		(119,402)
Discounts on bonds, net		56,759
Accrued interest on bonds		(204,576)
Net OPEB liability		(6,571,575)
Net pension liability		(20,920,408)
Accrued sick leave		<u>(678,173)</u>
Total net position - governmental		<u>\$ 13,468,116</u>

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Construction Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues					
Taxes	\$ 19,595,201	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,401,530	\$ 21,996,731
Earnings on investments	1,244,368	20,224	-	7,294	1,271,886
State sources	24,655,498	2,351,819	-	1,577,115	28,584,432
Federal sources	539,173	21,644,211	-	-	22,183,384
Other sources	646,791	554,640	-	-	1,201,431
Total revenues	<u>46,681,031</u>	<u>24,570,894</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,985,939</u>	<u>75,237,864</u>
Expenditures					
Instructional	22,483,811	12,121,278	-	139,867	34,744,956
Student support services	4,326,299	596,152	-	-	4,922,451
Staff support services	617,966	865,603	-	60,918	1,544,487
District administration	2,574,248	-	-	-	2,574,248
School administration	4,614,336	250,662	-	-	4,864,998
Business support services	2,650,594	9,600	-	-	2,660,194
Plant operation and maintenance	6,579,579	59,445	-	-	6,639,024
Student transportation	2,397,504	100,976	-	-	2,498,480
Community service operations	133	2,012,010	-	-	2,012,143
Day care operations	-	30,286	-	-	30,286
Facility acquisition and construction	192,363	-	12,714,969	-	12,907,332
Debt service:					
Principal	-	-	-	1,470,000	1,470,000
Interest	-	-	-	645,339	645,339
Total expenditures	<u>46,436,833</u>	<u>16,046,012</u>	<u>12,714,969</u>	<u>2,316,124</u>	<u>77,513,938</u>
Deficit of revenues over expenditures	<u>244,198</u>	<u>8,524,882</u>	<u>(12,714,969)</u>	<u>1,669,815</u>	<u>(2,276,074)</u>
Other financing sources (uses)					
Loan and bond proceeds	-	-	2,125,000	-	2,125,000
Bond discount	-	-	(36,660)	-	(36,660)
Bond premium	-	-	1,277	-	1,277
Proceeds from sale of assets	53,120	-	-	-	53,120
Operating transfers in	1,737,543	310,918	9,212,316	1,547,035	12,807,812
Operating transfers out	<u>(527,862)</u>	<u>(8,835,800)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,193,095)</u>	<u>(12,556,757)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>1,262,801</u>	<u>(8,524,882)</u>	<u>11,301,933</u>	<u>(1,646,060)</u>	<u>2,393,792</u>
Net change in fund balance	1,506,999	-	(1,413,036)	23,755	117,718
Fund balance, July 1, 2023	<u>13,811,432</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,846,713</u>	<u>1,133,218</u>	<u>20,791,363</u>
Fund balance, June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 15,318,431</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,433,677</u>	<u>\$ 1,156,973</u>	<u>\$ 20,909,081</u>

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Net changes-governmental funds		\$ 117,718
<p>Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures because they use current financial resources. However in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceed depreciation expense for the year.</p>		
Amortization expense	(288,839)	
Depreciation expense	(1,325,279)	
Capital outlays	13,929,732	
Retirement of capital assets	<u>(6,551)</u>	
		12,309,063
<p>Bond proceeds and leases are reported as financing sources in governmental funds and thus contribute to the change in fund balance. In the statement of net position however, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities and does not affect the statement of activities. Similarly, repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds but reduces the liability in the statement of net position.</p>		
Bond proceeds	(2,125,000)	
Lease proceeds	(1,039,737)	
Lease principal paid	327,129	
Premiums on sale of bonds	(1,277)	
Discounts on sale of bonds	36,660	
Bond principal paid	1,470,000	
Amortization of deferred outflow from bond refinancing	(5,235)	
Amortization of bond premium and discount, net	8,213	
Deferred outflows related to pensions		254,702
Deferred outflows related to OPEB		(2,298,760)
Deferred inflows related to pensions		(804,601)
Deferred inflows related to OPEB		(5,674,638)
<p>Generally, expenditures recognized in this fund financial statement are limited to only those that use current financial resources, but expenses are recognized in the statement of activities when they are incurred.</p>		
		<u>12,382,500</u>
Changes in net position of governmental activities		<u>\$ 14,956,737</u>

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Statement of Net Position – Proprietary Funds
As of June 30, 2024**

	<u>Food Service</u>	<u>Day Care Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assets			
Current:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 628,977	\$ 39,398	\$ 668,375
Accounts receivable	35,857	-	35,857
Inventories for consumption	<u>52,477</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,477</u>
Total current	<u>717,311</u>	<u>39,398</u>	<u>756,709</u>
Noncurrent			
Furniture and fixtures	389,240	-	389,240
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(369,290)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(369,290)</u>
Total noncurrent	<u>19,950</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,950</u>
Total assets	<u>737,261</u>	<u>39,398</u>	<u>776,659</u>
Deferred outflows	<u>477,871</u>	<u>78,030</u>	<u>555,901</u>
Liabilities and Net Position			
Current:			
Accounts payable	<u>530</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>578</u>
Total current	<u>530</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>578</u>
Noncurrent			
MIF net OPEB liability	237,575	38,793	276,368
CERS net pension liability	<u>756,312</u>	<u>123,496</u>	<u>879,808</u>
Total noncurrent	<u>993,887</u>	<u>162,289</u>	<u>1,156,176</u>
Total liabilities	<u>994,417</u>	<u>162,337</u>	<u>1,156,754</u>
Deferred inflows	<u>699,236</u>	<u>114,176</u>	<u>813,412</u>
Net Position			
Invested in assets, net of debt	19,950	-	19,950
Restricted	<u>(498,471)</u>	<u>(159,085)</u>	<u>(657,556)</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ (478,521)</u>	<u>\$ (159,085)</u>	<u>\$ (637,606)</u>

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position – Proprietary Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	Food Service	Day Care Funds	Total
Operating revenues			
Other operating revenues	\$ 83,941	\$ 185,496	\$ 269,437
Total operating revenues	83,941	185,496	269,437
Operating expenses			
Salaries and benefits	1,442,207	431,649	1,873,856
Contract services	59,078	-	59,078
Materials and supplies	1,766,324	30,262	1,796,586
Depreciation	20,813	-	20,813
Other operating expenses	225,450	36,976	262,426
Total operating expenses	3,513,872	498,887	4,012,759
Operating loss	(3,429,931)	(313,391)	(3,743,322)
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)			
Federal grants	3,121,032	17,597	3,138,629
State grants	241,889	44,049	285,938
Donated commodities and other donations	90,739	-	90,739
Transfers	(251,055)	-	(251,055)
Interest income	51,786	-	51,786
Total nonoperating revenues	3,254,391	61,646	3,316,037
Change in net position	(175,540)	(251,745)	(427,285)
Total net position, July 1, 2023	(302,981)	92,660	(210,321)
Total net position, June 30, 2024	\$ (478,521)	\$ (159,085)	\$ (637,606)

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Statement of Cash Flows – Proprietary Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	<u>Food Service Fund</u>	<u>Day Care Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash received from other activities	\$ 88,445	\$ 195,349	\$ 283,794
Cash payments to employees for services	(1,601,865)	(258,864)	(1,860,729)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	<u>(2,061,682)</u>	<u>(67,230)</u>	<u>(2,128,912)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(3,575,102)</u>	<u>(130,745)</u>	<u>(3,705,847)</u>
Cash flows from capital financing activities			
Transfers	<u>(251,056)</u>	-	<u>(251,056)</u>
Net cash used in capital financing activities	<u>(251,056)</u>	-	<u>(251,056)</u>
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities			
Non-operating revenues received	<u>3,453,660</u>	<u>61,646</u>	<u>3,515,306</u>
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	<u>3,453,660</u>	<u>61,646</u>	<u>3,515,306</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest on investments	<u>51,786</u>	-	<u>51,786</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>51,786</u>	-	<u>51,786</u>
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(320,712)	(69,099)	(389,811)
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning	<u>949,689</u>	<u>108,497</u>	<u>1,058,186</u>
Cash and cash equivalents - ending	<u>\$ 628,977</u>	<u>\$ 39,398</u>	<u>\$ 668,375</u>
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used in operating activities			
Operating loss	\$ (3,429,931)	\$ (313,391)	\$ (3,743,322)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used in operating activities			
Depreciation	20,813	-	20,813
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase) decrease in deferred outflows	82,962	(67,567)	15,395
Increase in deferred inflows	226,597	105,358	331,955
Increase (decrease) in MIF net OPEB liability	(378,667)	27,297	(351,370)
Increase (decrease) in CERS net pension liability	(90,550)	107,697	17,147
Increase in accounts payable	42	8	50
Decrease in accounts receivable	4,504	9,853	14,357
Increase in inventories	<u>(10,872)</u>	-	<u>(10,872)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>\$ (3,575,102)</u>	<u>\$ (130,745)</u>	<u>\$ (3,705,847)</u>
Schedule of non-cash transactions			
Donated commodities received from federal government	\$ 90,739	\$ -	\$ 90,739
On behalf payments	<u>\$ 221,567</u>	<u>\$ 36,179</u>	<u>\$ 257,746</u>

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

The Covington Independent Board of Education (Board), a five-member group, is the level of government which has oversight responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary school education within the jurisdiction of the Covington Independent School District (District). The District receives funding from local, state and federal government sources and must comply with the commitment requirements of these funding source entities. However, the District is not included in any other governmental "reporting entity" as defined in Section 2100, *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*. Board members are elected by the public and have decision making authority, the power to designate management, the responsibility to develop policies which may influence operations, and primary accountability for fiscal matters.

The District, for financial purposes, includes all of the funds and account groups relevant to the operation of the Covington Independent Board of Education. The financial statements presented herein do not include funds of groups and organizations, which although associated with the school system, have not originated within the Board itself such as Parent-Teacher Associations, etc.

The financial statements of the District include those of separately administered organizations that are controlled by or dependent on the Board. Control or dependence is determined on the basis of budget adoption, funding and appointment of the respective governing board.

Based on the foregoing criteria, the financial statements of the following organization are included in the accompanying financial statements:

Covington Independent School District Finance Corporation - The Board authorized the establishment of the Covington Independent School District Finance Corporation (a non-profit, non-stock, public and charitable corporation organized under the School Bond Act and KRS 273 and KRS 58.180) as an agency of the District for financing the costs of school building facilities. The Board Members of the Covington Independent Board of Education also comprise the Corporation's Board of Directors.

Basis of Presentation

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

The district-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. This is the same approach used in the preparation of the proprietary fund financial statements but differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the district-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Basis of Presentation (Continued)

The district-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each segment of the business-type activities of the District and for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and are therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Fund Financial Statements – Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental and enterprise fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. The financial statements for governmental funds are a balance sheet, which generally includes only current assets and current liabilities, and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances, which reports on the changes in total net position. Proprietary funds and fiduciary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus.

The District has the following funds:

I. Governmental Fund Types

- (A) The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the District. It accounts for financial resources used for general types of operations. This is a budgeted fund and any unrestricted fund balances are considered as resources available for use. This is a major fund of the District.
- (B) The Special Revenue Fund accounts for proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to disbursements for specified purposes. It includes federal financial programs where unused balances are returned to the grantor at the close of specified project periods as well as the state grant programs. Project accounting is employed to maintain integrity for the various sources of funds. The separate projects of federally funded grant programs are identified in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards included in this report on pages 73 and 74. This is a major fund of the District.
- (C) The Activity Funds account for activities of student groups and other types of activities requiring clearing accounts. These funds are accounted for in accordance with Uniform Program of Accounting for School Activity Funds.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
(Continued)**

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Basis of Presentation (Continued)

I. Governmental Fund Types (continued)

(D) Capital Project Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities and equipment (other than those financed by Proprietary Funds).

1. The Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) Capital Outlay Fund receives those funds designated by the state as Capital Outlay funds and is restricted for use in financing projects identified in the District's facility plan.
2. The Facility Support Program of Kentucky Fund (FSPK) accounts for funds generated by the building tax levy required to participate in the School Facilities Construction Commission's construction funding and state matching funds, where applicable. Funds may be used for projects identified in the District's facility plan.
3. The Construction Fund accounts for proceeds from sales of bonds and other revenues to be used for authorized construction. This District is committed to construction contracts in the amount of \$4,433,677 for ongoing projects. This is a major fund of the District

II. Debt Service Fund

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal and interest and related cost; and, for the payment of interest on general obligation notes payable, as required by Kentucky Law.

III. Proprietary Fund (Enterprise Fund)

The School Food Service Fund is used to account for school food service activities, including the National School Lunch Program, which is conducted in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The Food Service fund is a major fund of the District.

The Daycare Fund is used to support the daycare programs at the individual schools. These funds are used to support the resources needed to actively manage these programs.

The District applies all Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements to proprietary funds as well as the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989 unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. District-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Proprietary and fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting.

Revenues – Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions – Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenues are recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of the fiscal year end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenues from nonexchange transactions must also be available before they can be recognized.

Unearned Revenue – Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are recorded as unearned revenue.

Expenses/Expenditures – On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation, are not recognized in governmental funds.

Taxes

Property Tax Revenues – Property taxes are levied each September on the assessed value listed as of the prior January 1, for all real and personal property in the county. The billings are considered due upon receipt by the taxpayer; however, the actual date is based on a period ending 30 days after the tax bill mailing. Property taxes collected are recorded as revenues in the fiscal year for which they were levied. All taxes collected are initially deposited into the General Fund and then transferred to the appropriate fund.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Budgetary Process

Budgetary Basis of Accounting: The District's budgetary process accounts for certain transactions on a basis other than Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) of the United States of America. The major differences between the budgetary basis and the GAAP basis are:

Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).

Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budgetary) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP).

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District considers demand deposits, money market funds, and other investments with an original maturity of 90 days or less, to be cash equivalents.

Fair Value Measurements

Generally accepted accounting principles has established a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based on transparency of valuation inputs as of the measurement date. The hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The three levels are defined as follows: Level 1 inputs are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets; Level 2 inputs are observable quoted prices for similar assets in active markets; Level 3 inputs are unobservable and reflect management's best estimate of what market participants would use as fair value.

In February 2015, the GASB issued Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. This Statement provides guidance for determining a fair value measurement for financial reporting purposes. This Statement also provides guidance for applying fair value to certain investments and disclosures related to all fair value measurements.

Inventories

Supplies and materials are charged to expenditures when purchased, except for inventories in the Proprietary Fund, which are capitalized at the lower of cost or market.

Capital Assets

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the district-wide statement of net position but are not reported in the fund financial statements. Capital assets utilized by the proprietary funds are reported both in the business-type activities column of the district-wide statement of net position and in the respective funds.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Notes to the Financial Statements
(Continued)**

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Capital Assets (Continued)

All capital assets are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their fair market values as of the date received. The District maintains a capitalization threshold of one thousand dollars, with the exception of computers, digital cameras and real property, for which there is no threshold. The District does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

All reported capital assets are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives for both general capital assets and proprietary fund assets:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Estimated Lives</u>
Buildings and improvements	25-50 years
Land improvements	20 years
Technology equipment	5 years
Vehicles	5-10 years
General equipment	10 years
Food service equipment	10-12 years
Furniture and fixtures	7 years
Other	10 years

Accumulated Unpaid Sick Leave Benefits

Upon retirement from the school system, an employee will receive from the District an amount equal to 30% of the value of accumulated sick leave. Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the termination payment method. An accrual for earned sick leave is made to the extent that it is probable that the benefits will result in termination payments. The liability is based on the District's experience of making termination payments. The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the district-wide financial statements.

Interfund Balances

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables". These amounts are eliminated in the governmental and business-type activities columns of the statements of net position, except for the net residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which are presented as internal balances.

Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the district-wide financial statements, and all payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from proprietary funds are reported on the proprietary fund financial statements.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Notes to the Financial Statements
(Continued)**

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations (Continued)

In general, payables and accrued liabilities that will be paid from governmental funds are reported on the governmental fund financial statements regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources.

However, claims and judgments, the noncurrent portion of capital leases, accumulated sick leave, contractually required pension contributions and special termination benefits that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they will be paid with current, expendable, available financial resources. In general, payments made within sixty days after year-end are considered to have been made with current available financial resources. Bonds and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are not recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements until due.

Fund Balance Reserves

Beginning with fiscal year 2012 the District implemented GASB Statement 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*. This Statement provides more clearly defined fund balance categories to make the nature and extent of the constraints placed on the District's fund balance more transparent. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

Nonspendable fund balance - amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as inventory) or are required to be maintained intact;

Restricted fund balance – amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.

Committed fund balance – amounts constrained to specific purposes by the District itself, using its decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District takes the action to remove or change the constraint.

Assigned fund balance – amounts the District intends to use for specific purpose (such as encumbrances); intent can be expressed by the District or by an official or body to which the District delegates the authority.

Unassigned fund balance – amounts that are available for purpose; positive amounts are reported only in the General fund.

It is the Board's practice to liquidate funds when conditions have been met releasing these funds from legal, contractual, Board or managerial obligations, using restricted funds first, followed by committed funds, assigned funds, then unassigned funds.

Encumbrances are not liabilities and are not recorded as expenditures until receipt of material or service. Encumbrances remaining open at the end of the fiscal year are automatically re-budgeted in the following fiscal year. Encumbrances are considered a managerial assignment of fund balance in the governmental funds balance sheet.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Notes to the Financial Statements
(Continued)**

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the proprietary funds. For the District, those revenues are primarily charges for meals provided by the various schools.

Interfund Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and as non-operating revenues/expenses in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

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 County Employees Retirement System Non-Hazardous (CERS) and Teachers Retirement System of the State of Kentucky (TRS) and additions to/deductions from fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pensions. 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.

Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky (TRS) and additions to/deductions from TRS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by TRS. 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, except for money market investments and participating interest-earning investment contracts that have a maturity at the time of purchase of one year or less, which are reported at cost.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Notes to the Financial Statements
(Continued)**

NOTE 2 ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities, designated fund balances, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the general purpose financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The District maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which, at times, exceed federally insured limits. The amounts exceeding the federally insured limits are covered by a collateral agreement and the collateral is held by the pledging banks' trust departments in the District's name. The District has not experienced any losses in such accounts and the District believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS

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

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	Balance June 30, 2023	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2024
Land	\$ 1,393,260	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,393,260
Land improvements	1,103,291	-	-	1,103,291
Buildings and improvements	58,435,138	11,005,116	-	69,440,254
Technology equipment	3,101,714	-	53,335	3,048,379
Vehicles	2,856,275	-	-	2,856,275
General equipment	614,831	-	-	614,831
Construction in progress	4,746,888	6,279,696	4,394,817	6,631,767
Totals at historical cost	<u>72,251,397</u>	<u>17,284,812</u>	<u>4,448,152</u>	<u>85,088,057</u>
Less: accumulated depreciation				
Land improvements	692,493	9,782	-	702,275
Buildings and improvements	28,011,433	905,008	-	28,916,441
Technology equipment	2,810,836	209,516	46,784	2,973,568
Vehicles	1,760,749	179,932	-	1,940,681
General equipment	446,969	21,041	-	468,010
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>33,722,480</u>	<u>1,325,279</u>	<u>46,784</u>	<u>35,000,975</u>
Governmental activities capital assets - net	<u>\$ 38,528,917</u>	<u>\$ 15,959,533</u>	<u>\$ 4,401,368</u>	<u>\$ 50,087,082</u>
<u>Business - Type Activities</u>				
General equipment	\$ 386,840	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 386,840
Technology equipment	2,400	-	-	2,400
Totals at historical cost	<u>389,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>389,240</u>
Less: accumulated depreciation				
General equipment	346,078	20,813	-	366,891
Technology equipment	2,399	-	-	2,399
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>348,477</u>	<u>20,813</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>369,290</u>
Business - type activities capital assets - net	<u>\$ 40,763</u>	<u>\$ (20,813)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 19,950</u>

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Notes to the Financial Statements
(Continued)**

NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)

Depreciation expense by function for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 was as follows:

	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Business-Type</u>
Instructional	\$ 761,205	\$ -
Student support services	571	-
Staff support services	258	-
District administration	9,454	-
School administration	8,814	-
Plant operation and maintenance	396,311	-
Student transportation	148,666	-
Food service	-	20,813
Total	<u>\$ 1,325,279</u>	<u>\$ 20,813</u>

NOTE 5 ACCUMULATED UNPAID SICK LEAVE BENEFITS

Upon providing proof of qualification as an annuitant from the Kentucky Teacher's Retirement System, certified and classified employees will receive from the District an amount equal to 30% of the value of accumulated sick leave. At June 30, 2024 this amount totaled approximately \$678,173 for those employees with twenty-seven or more years of experience.

NOTE 6 BONDED DEBT

The amount shown in the accompanying financial statements as bond obligations represents the District's future obligations to make bond payments relating to the bonds issued.

The original amount of each issue, the issue date, and interest rates are summarized below:

<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Proceeds</u>	<u>Rates</u>
October 1, 2012	\$ 1,090,000	1.100% - 2.625%
October 1, 2014	2,835,000	2.000% - 3.125%
March 1, 2015	2,530,000	2.000% - 3.000%
July 1, 2016	8,300,000	2.000% - 2.750%
October 1, 2016	1,635,000	2.000% - 3.000%
September 1, 2017	3,245,000	1.100% - 3.150%
August 6, 2019	1,110,000	3.000%
November 14, 2019	1,350,000	2.000%
July 1, 2020	3,750,000	2.000%
July 14, 2022	2,990,000	3.500% - 5.000%
July 11, 2023	2,125,000	4.250% - 5.000%

The District, through the General Fund (including utility taxes and the Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) Capital Outlay Fund) is obligated to make lease payments in amounts sufficient to satisfy debt service requirements on bonds issued by the Kenton County Fiscal Court and the Covington Independent School District Finance Corporation to construct school facilities.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
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NOTE 6 BONDED DEBT (Continued)

The District entered into "participation agreements" with the School Facility Construction Commission (Commission). The Commission was created by the Kentucky General Assembly for the purpose of assisting local school districts in meeting school construction needs. Note 16 sets forth the amount to be paid by the District and the Commission for each year until maturity of all bond issues. The liability for the total bond amount remains with the District and, as such, the total principal has been recorded in the financial statements.

All issues may be called prior to maturity and redemption premiums are specified in each issue. Assuming no bonds are called prior to scheduled maturity, the minimum obligations of the District, including amounts to be paid by the Commission, at June 30, 2024 for debt service (principal and interest) are reported in Note 16.

NOTE 7 RETIREMENT PLANS

The District's employees are provided with two pension plans, based on each position's college degree requirement. The County Employees Retirement System covers employees whose position does not require a college degree or teaching certification. The Kentucky Teachers Retirement System covers positions requiring teaching certification or otherwise requiring a college degree.

General information about the County Employees Retirement System Non-Hazardous

Plan description

Employees whose positions do not require a degree beyond a high school diploma are covered by the CERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Kentucky Retirement System, an agency of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Under the provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statute ("KRS") Section 61.645, the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement System administers CERS and has the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions. The Kentucky Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for CERS. That report may be obtained from <http://kyret.ky.gov/>.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
(Continued)**

NOTE 7 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Benefits provided

CERS provides retirement, health insurance, death and disability benefits to Plan employees and beneficiaries. Employees are vested in the plan after five years' service. For retirement purposes, employees are grouped into three tiers, based on hire date:

Tier 1	Participation date	Before September 1, 2008
	Unreduced retirement	27 years service or 65 years old
	Reduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 55 years old At least 25 years service and any age
Tier 2	Participation date	September 1, 2008 - December 31, 2013
	Unreduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 65 years old Or age 57+ and sum of service years plus age equal 87
	Reduced retirement	At least 10 years service and 60 years old
Tier 3	Participation date	After December 31, 2013
	Unreduced retirement	At least 5 years service and 65 years old Or age 57+ and sum of service years plus age equal 87

Cost of living adjustments are provided at the discretion of the General Assembly. Retirement is based on a factor of the number of years' service and hire date multiplied by the average of the highest five years' earnings. Reduced benefits are based on factors of both of these components. Participating employees become eligible to receive the health insurance benefit after at least 180 months of service. Death benefits are provided for both death after retirement and death prior to retirement. Death benefits after retirement are \$5,000 in lump sum. One month's service is required for death benefits prior to retirement and the employee must have suffered a duty-related death. The decedent's spouse will receive the higher of the normal death benefit and \$10,000 plus 75% of the decedent's monthly average rate of pay. If the surviving spouse remarries, the monthly rate will be recalculated to 25% of the decedent's monthly average. Any dependent child will receive 50% of the decedent's monthly final rate of pay up to 75% for all dependent children. Five years' service is required for nonservice-related disability benefits.

Contributions

Required contributions by the employee are based on the following tier:

	<u>Required contribution</u>
Tier 1	5%
Tier 2	5% + 1% for insurance
Tier 3	5% + 1% for insurance

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

NOTE 7 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

The contribution requirement for CERS for the year ended June 30, 2024, was \$3,131,655, which consisted of \$2,523,938 from the District and \$607,717 from the employees. Total contributions for the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 were \$3,359,988 and \$3,165,798, respectively. The contributions have been contributed in full for fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022.

General information about the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky

Plan description

Teaching certified employees of the District and other employees whose positions require at least a college degree are provided pensions through the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky—a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan with a special funding situation established to provide retirement annuity plan coverage for local school districts and other public educational agencies in the Commonwealth. TRS was created by the 1938 General Assembly and is governed by Chapter 161 Section 220 through Chapter 161 Section 990 of the KRS. TRS is a blended component unit of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and therefore is included in the Commonwealth's financial statements. TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <https://trs.ky.gov/employers/gasb-65-67/>.

Benefits provided

For employees who have established an account in a retirement system administered by the Commonwealth prior to July 1, 2008, employees become vested when they complete five (5) years of credited service. To qualify for monthly retirement benefits, payable for life, employees must either:

- 1.) Attain age fifty-five (55) and complete five (5) years of Kentucky service, or
- 2.) Complete 27 years of Kentucky service.

Employees that retire before age 60 with less than 27 years of service receive reduced retirement benefits. Non-university employees with an account established prior to July 1, 2002 receive monthly payments equal to two (2) percent (service prior to July 1, 1983) and two and one-half (2.5) percent (service after July 1, 1983) of their final average salaries for each year of credited service. New employees (including second retirement accounts) after July 1, 2002 will receive monthly benefits equal to 2% of their final average salary for each year of service if, upon retirement, their total service less than ten years. New employees after July 1, 2002 who retire with ten or more years of total service will receive monthly benefits equal to 2.5% of their final average salary for each year of service, including the first ten years. In addition, employees who retire July 1, 2004 and later with more than 30 years of service will have their multiplier increased for all years over 30 from 2.5% to 3.0% to be used in their benefit calculation. New employees hired after July 1, 2008 but before December 31, 2021 who retire with less than ten years will receive monthly benefits equal to 1.7% of their final average salary for each year of service. New employees hired between July 1, 2008 and December 31, 2021 with between 10 to 20 years of service will receive monthly benefits equal to 2% of their final average salary for each year of service. New employees hired between July 1, 2008 and December 31, 2021 with between 20 to 26 years of service will receive monthly benefits equal to 2.3% of their final average salary for each year of service. Lastly, new employees hired between July 1, 2008 and December 31, 2021 with between 26 to 30 years of service will receive monthly benefits equal to 2.5% of their final average salary for each year of service. Effective January 1, 2022, the System has been amended to change the benefit structure for employees hired on or after that date.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
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NOTE 7 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Final average salary is defined as the member's five (5) highest annual salaries for those with less than 27 years of service. Employees at least age 55 with 27 or more years of service may use their three (3) highest annual salaries to compute the final average salary. TRS also provides disability benefits for vested employees at the rate of sixty (60) percent of the final average salary. A life insurance benefit, payable upon the death of a member, is \$2,000 for active contributing employees and \$5,000 for retired or disabled employees.

Cost of living increases are one and one-half (1.5) percent annually. Additional ad hoc increases and any other benefit amendments must be authorized by the General Assembly.

Contributions

Contribution rates are established by Kentucky Revised Statutes. Non-university employees are required to contribute 12.855% of their salaries to the System. University employees are required to contribute 10.400% of their salaries. KRS 161.580 allows each university to reduce the contribution of its employees by 2.215%; therefore, university employees contribute 8.185% of their salary to TRS. The contribution requirement for TRS for the year ended June 30, 2024, was \$4,648,078, which consisted of \$1,427,723 from the District and \$3,220,355 from the employees. Total contributions for the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 were \$4,274,724 and \$4,348,098, respectively. The contributions have been contributed in full for fiscal years 2024, 2023 and 2022.

The Commonwealth of Kentucky, as a non-employer contributing entity, pays matching contributions at the rate of 13.105% of salaries for local school district and regional cooperative employees hired before July 1, 2008 and 14.105% for those hired after July 1, 2008. For local school district and regional cooperative employees whose salaries are federally funded, the employer contributes 16.105% of salaries. If an employee leaves covered employment before accumulating five (5) years of credited service, accumulated employee pension contributions plus interest are refunded to the employee upon the member's request.

Medical Insurance Plan

Plan description

In addition to the pension benefits described above, KRS 161.675 requires TRS to provide post-employment healthcare benefits to eligible employees and dependents. The TRS Medical Insurance Fund is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan. Changes made to the medical plan may be made by the TRS Board of Trustees, the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance and the General Assembly.

To be eligible for medical benefits, the member must have retired either for service or disability. The TRS Medical Insurance Fund offers coverage to employees under the age of 65 through the Kentucky Employees Health Plan administered by the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance. Once retired employees and eligible spouses attain age 65 and are Medicare eligible, coverage is obtained through the TRS Medicare Eligible Health Plan.

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NOTE 7 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Funding policy

In order to fund the post-retirement healthcare benefit, 6.59% of the gross annual payroll of employees before July 1, 2008 is contributed. 3.75% is paid by member contributions, 0.16% is credited to the Commonwealth, and 3.00% is contributed by the employer. Also, the premiums collected from retirees as described in the plan description and investment interest help meet the medical expenses of the plan.

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

At June 30, 2024, the District reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability for CERS. The District did not report a liability for the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability for TRS because the Commonwealth of Kentucky provides the pension support directly to TRS on behalf of the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related Commonwealth support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's proportionate share of the CERS net pension liability	\$ 21,800,216
Commonwealth's proportionate share of the TRS net pension liability associated with the District	<u>97,242,216</u>
	<u><u>\$ 119,042,432</u></u>

The net pension liability for each plan was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

The District's proportion of the net pension liability for CERS was based on the actual liability of the employees and former employees relative to the total liability of the System as determined by the actuary. At June 30, 2023, the District's proportion was 0.339752%.

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized an increase of pension expense of \$1,250,597 related to CERS. The District also recognized an expense of \$7,066,957 and revenue of \$7,066,957 for TRS support provided by the Commonwealth due to a change in assumptions. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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NOTE 7 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	\$ 1,128,555	\$ 59,237
Difference between expected and actual experience	2,355,041	2,652,408
Changes of assumptions	-	1,998,005
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	374,753	617,404
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	2,523,938	-
Total	\$ 6,382,287	\$ 5,327,054

\$2,523,938 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2025	\$ (1,099,593)
2026	(644,734)
2027	486,669
2028	(211,047)
2029	-

Actuarial assumptions

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

	CERS	TRS
Inflation	2.30%	2.50%
Projected salary increases	3.3 - 10.3%	3.0-7.5%
Investment rate of return, net of investment expense and inflation	6.50%	7.10%

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NOTE 7 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

For CERS, mortality rates used for active members PUB-2010 General Mortality table projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010. The mortality table used for healthy retired members was a system-specific mortality table based on a mortality experience from 2013-2018, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019. The mortality table used for disabled members was PUB-2010 Disabled Mortality table, with a 4-year set-forward for both male and female rates, projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010.

For TRS, mortality rates were based on Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each groups: service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members. The actuarial assumptions used were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the 6-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the board on September 10, 2021. The Municipal Bond Index Rate used for this purpose is the June average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index.

For CERS, the long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the regular experience studies prepared every five years. The most recent analysis, performed for the period covering fiscal years 2018 through 2022, is outlined in a report dated May 9, 2023. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were 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 then adding expected inflation. The capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant are intended for use over a 10-year horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding pension plans which covers a longer timeframe. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

For TRS, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS' and CERS' investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

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NOTE 7 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>TRS Target Allocation</u>	<u>TRS Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>	<u>CERS Target Allocation</u>	<u>CERS Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
US equity	38.0%	5.25%	50.0%	5.90%
Developed international equity	15.7%	5.50%		
Emerging markets equity	5.3%	6.10%		
Private equity	7.0%	8.00%	10.0%	11.73%
Core bonds			10.0%	2.45%
Fixed income	15.0%	1.90%		
Specialty Credit			10.0%	3.65%
High yield	5.0%	3.80%		
Additional categories	5.0%	3.60%		
Real estate	7.0%	3.20%	7.0%	4.99%
Real return			13.0%	5.15%
Cash	2.0%	1.60%	0.0%	1.39%
Total	<u>100%</u>		<u>100%</u>	

Discount rate

For CERS, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan employees and employers will be made at statutory contribution rates. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment return of 6.50%. The long-term investment rate of return was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

For TRS, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates for all fiscal years in the future. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of CERS and TRS proportionate share of net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following table presents the net pension liability of the District, calculated using the discount rates selected by each pension system, as well as what the District's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
CERS	5.50%	6.50%	7.50%
District's proportionate share of net pension liability	\$ 27,524,089	\$ 21,800,216	\$ 17,043,462
TRS	6.10%	7.10%	8.10%
District's proportionate share of net pension liability	-	-	-

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NOTE 7 RETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Pension plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial reports of both CERS and TRS.

NOTE 8 OPEB PLANS

General information about the Teachers' Retirement System OPEB Plan

Plan description

Teaching-certified employees of the Covington Independent School District are provided OPEBs through the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky (TRS) – a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan with a special funding situation established to provide retirement annuity plan coverage for local school districts and other public educational agencies in the state. TRS was created by the 1938 General Assembly and is governed by Chapter 161 Section 220 through Chapter 161 Section 990 of Kentucky and therefore is included in the Commonwealth's financial statements. TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <https://trs.ky.gov/administration/financial-reports-information/>.

The state reports a liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, and expense as a result of its statutory requirement to contribute to the TRS Medical Insurance and Life Insurance Plans. The following information is about the TRS plans.

Medical Insurance Plan

Plan description

In addition to the OPEB benefits described above, Kentucky Revised Statute 161.675 requires TRS to provide post-employment healthcare benefits to eligible members and dependents. The TRS Medical Insurance benefit is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan with a special funding situation. Changes made to the medical plan may be made by the TRS Board of Trustees, the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance and the General Assembly.

Benefits provided

To be eligible for medical benefits, the member must have retired either for service or disability. The TRS Medical Insurance Fund offers coverage to members under the age of 65 through the Kentucky Employees Health Plan administered by the Kentucky Department of Employee Insurance. TRS retired members are given a supplement to be used for payment of their health insurance premium. The amount of the member's supplement is based on a contribution supplement table approved by the TRS Board of Trustees. The retired member pays premiums in excess of the monthly supplement. Once retired members and eligible spouses attain age 65 and are Medicare eligible, coverage is obtained through the TRS Medicare Eligible Health Plan.

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NOTE 8 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

Contributions

In order to fund the post-retirement healthcare benefit, seven and one-half percent (7.50%) of the gross annual payroll of members is contributed. Three and three quarters percent (3.75%) is paid by member contributions and three quarters percent (.75%) from state appropriation and three percent (3.00%) from the employer. The state contributes the net cost of health insurance premiums for members who retired on or after July 1, 2010 who are in the non-Medicare eligible group. Also, the premiums collected from retirees as described in the plan description and investment interest help meet the medical expenses of the plan.

General information about the County Employees Retirement System Non-Hazardous OPEB Plan

Plan description

Employees whose positions do not require a degree beyond a high school diploma are covered by the CERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Kentucky Retirement System, an agency of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Under the provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statute ("KRS") Section 61.645, the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement System administers CERS and has the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions. The Kentucky Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for CERS.

Benefits provided

CERS provides health insurance, death and disability benefits to Plan employees and beneficiaries. Employees are vested in the plan after five years' service. For retirement purposes, employees are grouped into three tiers, based on hire date. See Note 7 for tier classifications.

Contributions

Required contributions by the employee are based on the tier disclosed in Note 7.

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NOTE 8 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEBs

At June 30, 2024, the Covington Independent School District reported a liability of \$6,847,943 for its proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability that reflected a reduction for state OPEB support provided to the District. The collective net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2023, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the collective net OPEB liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2023 and 2022 the District's proportion was .58% and .56% for TRS, respectively. At June 30, 2023 and 2022 the District's proportion was .34% and .33% for CERS, respectively.

The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net OPEB liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's proportionate share of the CERS net OPEB liability	\$	(469,057)
District's proportionate share of the TRS net OPEB liability		7,317,000
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the District		<u>6,167,000</u>
	\$	<u><u>13,014,943</u></u>

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized an increase of OPEB expense of \$4,597,350 and revenue of \$479,789 for support provided by the State. At June 30, 2024, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 327,004	\$ 9,140,137
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	1,014,821	986,681
Change of Assumptions	2,586,071	643,288
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	2,560,598	4,057,889
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>903,560</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 7,392,054</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 14,827,995</u></u>

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NOTE 8 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

Of the total amount reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, \$903,560 resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date and before the end of the fiscal year will be included as a reduction of the collective net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2024. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in the District's OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2025	\$ (1,611,480)
2026	(2,584,087)
2027	(2,013,391)
2028	(1,315,543)
2029	(129,000)
Thereafter	(686,000)

Actuarial assumptions

The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	TRS	CERS
Investment rate of return	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation.	6.25%
Projected salary increases	3.00 - 7.50%, including inflation	3.30% to 10.30%, varies by service
Inflation rate	2.50%	2.30%
Real Wage Growth	0.25%	
Wage Inflation	2.75%	
Healthcare cost trend rates		
Medical Trend	6.75% for FY 2023 decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50% by FY 2032	
Under 65		Initial trend starting at 6.40% and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years.
Ages 65 and Older		Initial trend starting at 6.30% and gradually decreasing to an ultimate trend rate of 4.05% over a period of 13 years.
Medicare Part B Premiums	1.55% for FY 2023 with an ultimate rate of 4.50% by 2034	
Municipal Bond Index Rate	3.66%	3.86%
Discount Rate	7.10%	5.93%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including price inflation	

For TRS, mortality rates were based on the Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups; service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members.

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NOTE 8 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, rates of plan participation, and rates of plan election used in the June 30, 2022 valuation were based on the results of the most actuarial experience studies, which covered the five-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the Board on September 20, 2021.

For CERS, mortality rates used for active members was PUB-2010 General Mortality table projected with the ultimate rates from the MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2010. The mortality table used for healthy retired members was a system-specific mortality table based on a mortality experience from 2013-2018, projected with the ultimate rates from MP-2014 mortality improvement scale using a base year of 2019.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g. initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2022 valuation.

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

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS's investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
Large Cap U.S. Equity	35.4%	5.0%
Small Cap U.S. Equity	2.6%	5.5%
Developed International Equity	15.0%	5.5%
Emerging Markets Equity	5.0%	6.1%
Fixed Income	9.0%	1.9%
High Yield Bonds	8.0%	3.8%
Other Additional Categories	9.0%	3.7%
Real Estate	6.5%	3.2%
Private Equity	8.5%	8.0%
Cash	1.0%	1.6%
Total	100.0%	

Discount rate

For TRS, the discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members.

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NOTE 8 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

For CERS, the discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 5.93%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (6.10%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.10%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.10%)</u>
TRS			
District's net OPEB liability	\$ 9,411,000	\$ 7,317,000	\$ 5,586,000
	<u>1% Decrease (4.93%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (5.93%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (6.93%)</u>
CERS			
District's net OPEB liability	\$ 880,240	\$ (469,057)	\$ (1,598,928)

Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that were 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Trend Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
TRS			
District's net OPEB liability	\$ 5,268,000	\$ 7,317,000	\$ 9,869,000
	<u>1% Decrease</u>	<u>Current Trend Rate</u>	<u>1% Increase</u>
CERS			
District's net OPEB liability	\$ (1,503,409)	\$ (469,057)	\$ 801,547

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NOTE 8 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

OPEB plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS and CERS financial reports.

Life Insurance Plan

Plan description

TRS administers the life insurance plan as provide by Kentucky Revised Statute 161.655 to eligible active and retired members. The TRS Life Insurance benefit is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan with a special funding situation. Changes made to the life insurance plan may be made by the TRS Board of Trustees and the General Assembly.

Benefits provided

TRS provides a life insurance benefit of five thousand dollars payable for members who retire based on service or disability. TRS provides a life insurance benefit of two thousand dollars payable for its active contributing members. The life insurance benefit is payable upon the death of the member to the member's estate or to a party designated by the member.

Contributions

In order to fund the post-retirement life insurance benefit, three hundredths of one percent (.03%) of the gross annual payroll of members is contributed by the state.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEBs

At June 30, 2024, the Covington Independent School District did not report a liability for its proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability for life insurance benefits because the State of Kentucky provides the OPEB support directly to TRS on behalf of the District. The amount recognized by the District as its proportionate share of the OPEB liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net OPEB liability that was associated with the District were as follows:

District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability associated with the District	<u>153,000</u>
	<u>\$ 153,000</u>

For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$-0- and revenue of \$15,180 for support provided by the State.

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NOTE 8 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

Actuarial assumptions

The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Investment rate of return	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation.
Projected salary increases	3.00 - 7.50%, including wage inflation
Inflation rate	2.50%
Real Wage Growth	0.25%
Wage Inflation	2.75%
Municipal Bond Index Rate	3.66%
Discount Rate	7.10%
Single Equivalent Interest Rate	7.10%, net of OPEB plan investment expense, including price inflation

Mortality rates were based on the Pub2010 (Teachers Benefit-Weighted) Mortality Table projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set-forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups; service, retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and active members. The demographic actuarial assumptions for retirement, disability incidence, withdrawal, rates of plan participation, and rates of plan election used in the June 30, 2022 valuation were based on the results of the most actuarial experience studies, which covered the five-year period ending June 30, 2020, adopted by the Board on September 20, 2021.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g. initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the June 30, 2022 valuation.

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

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NOTE 8 OPEB PLANS (CONTINUED)

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by TRS's investment consultant, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity	40.0%	5.2%
International Equity	20.0%	5.8%
Fixed Income	21.0%	1.9%
Real Estate	7.0%	3.2%
Private Equity	5.0%	8.0%
Other Additional Categories	5.0%	4.0%
Cash	2.0%	1.6%
Total	100.0%	

Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability for life insurance was 7.10%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that the employer contributions will be made at statutorily required rates. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability of the System, calculated using the discount rate of 7.10%, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.10%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.10%) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (6.10%)	Current Discount Rate (7.10%)	1% Increase (8.10%)
District's net OPEB liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

OPEB plan fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS financial report.

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NOTE 9 CONTINGENCIES

Grant Fund Approval

The District receives funding from federal, state, and local government agencies and private contributions. These funds are to be used for designated purposes only. For government agency grants, if the grantor's review indicates that the funds have not been used for the intended purpose, the grantors may request a refund of monies advanced or refuse to reimburse the District for its disbursements. The amount of such future refunds and unreimbursed disbursements, if any, is not expected to be significant. Continuation of the District's grant programs is predicated upon the grantors' satisfaction that the funds provided are being spent as intended and the grantors' intent to continue the programs.

NOTE 10 INSURANCE AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

The District is exposed to various forms of loss of assets associated with the risks of fire, personal liability, theft, vehicular accidents, errors and omissions, fiduciary responsibility, etc. Each of these risk areas are covered through the purchase of commercial insurance. The District has purchased certain policies which are retrospectively rated, which includes workers' compensation insurance.

NOTE 11 RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. To obtain insurance for errors and omissions, and general liability coverage, the District participates in the Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust Liability Insurance Fund. These public entity risk pools operate as common risk management and insurance programs for all school districts and other tax supported educational agencies of Kentucky who are members of the Kentucky School Boards Association. The District pays an annual premium to each fund for coverage. The Liability Insurance fund pays insurance premiums of the participating members established by the insurance carrier. The Trust can terminate coverage if it is unable to obtain acceptable excess general liability coverage and for any reason by giving ninety (90) days' notice. In the event the Trust terminated coverage, any amount remaining in the Fund (after payment of operational and administrative costs and claims for which coverage was provided) would be returned to the member on a pro rata basis.

The District is self-insured for unemployment insurance benefits. The District reimburses the state for any claims paid. The District purchases workers' compensation insurance through the Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust. In addition, the District continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

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NOTE 12 DEFICIT OPERATING/FUND BALANCES

At June 30, 2024 the Food Service Fund and Day Care Fund have deficit fund balances of \$478,521 and \$159,085, respectively. The following funds have operations that resulted in a current year deficit of revenues over expenditures, resulting in a corresponding reduction of fund balance:

Construction Fund	\$ 1,413,036
Food Service Fund	175,540
Day Care Fund	251,745
Latonia Elementary School	2,065
John G. Carlisle Elementary School	2,002
Holmes High School	2,217

NOTE 13 COBRA

Under COBRA, employers are mandated to notify terminated employees of available continuing insurance coverage. Failure to comply with this requirement may put the District at risk for a substantial loss (contingency).

NOTE 14 TRANSFER OF FUNDS

The following transfers were made during the year.

<u>From Fund</u>	<u>To Fund</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	KETS Match	\$ 60,720
General Fund	Construction Fund	Construction	434,611
General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	FEMA Transfer	32,531
Special Revenue Fund	Construction Fund	Construction	7,647,705
Special Revenue Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Flex Funds	217,667
Special Revenue Fund	General Fund	Indirect Costs Transfer	970,428
Capital Outlay Fund	Debt Service Fund	Debt Service	329,829
Building Fund	Construction Fund	Construction	1,130,000
Building Fund	General Fund	BFFT	516,060
Building Fund	Debt Service Fund	Debt Service	1,217,206
Food Service Fund	General Fund	Indirect Costs Transfer	251,055

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NOTE 15 ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS

For the year ended June 30, 2024 total payments of \$11,867,401 were made for life insurance, health insurance, TRS matching and administrative fees by the Commonwealth of Kentucky on behalf of the District. These payments were recognized as on-behalf payments and recorded in the appropriate revenue and expense accounts on the statement of activities.

General Fund	\$ 11,041,351
Debt Service	568,304
Day Care	36,179
Food Service	<u>221,567</u>
 Total On-Behalf	 <u>\$ 11,867,401</u>

NOTE 16 SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

2012, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2016B, 2017, 2019, 2019REF, 2020, 2022 and 2023A Bonds

Fiscal Year	Covington Independent School District			KY School Facilities Construction Commission			Total Requirements
	Principal	Interest	Total	Principal	Interest	Total	
2024-2025	\$ 792,147	\$ 455,595	\$ 1,247,742	\$ 682,853	\$ 326,529	\$ 1,009,382	\$ 2,257,124
2025-2026	810,267	435,466	1,245,733	689,733	318,707	1,008,440	2,254,173
2026-2027	831,707	414,782	1,246,489	648,293	304,749	953,042	2,199,531
2027-2028	855,934	392,470	1,248,404	669,066	207,793	876,859	2,125,263
2028-2029	875,840	369,048	1,244,888	624,160	205,639	829,799	2,074,687
2029-2030	901,563	344,223	1,245,786	573,437	115,242	688,679	1,934,465
2030-2031	855,672	317,008	1,172,680	599,328	100,047	699,375	1,872,055
2031-2032	791,437	289,906	1,081,343	498,563	83,559	582,122	1,663,465
2032-2033	935,455	266,223	1,201,678	514,545	70,197	584,742	1,786,420
2033-2034	781,480	236,337	1,017,817	483,520	56,750	540,270	1,558,087
2034-2035	805,248	214,553	1,019,801	509,752	43,050	552,802	1,572,603
2035-2036	892,600	191,505	1,084,105	537,400	28,296	565,696	1,649,801
2036-2037	918,592	165,452	1,084,044	561,408	12,579	573,987	1,658,031
2037-2038	596,137	143,613	739,750	113,863	2,731	116,594	856,344
2038-2039	608,398	127,240	735,638	16,602	648	17,250	752,888
2039-2040	631,704	107,857	739,561	13,296	199	13,495	753,056
2040-2041	650,000	88,766	738,766	-	-	-	738,766
2041-2042	665,000	70,113	735,113	-	-	-	735,113
2042-2043	155,000	43,369	198,369	-	-	-	198,369
2043-2044	160,000	36,975	196,975	-	-	-	196,975
2044-2045	165,000	30,175	195,175	-	-	-	195,175
2045-2046	175,000	23,163	198,163	-	-	-	198,163
2046-2047	180,000	15,725	195,725	-	-	-	195,725
2047-2048	190,000	8,075	198,075	-	-	-	198,075
	<u>\$ 15,224,181</u>	<u>\$ 4,787,639</u>	<u>\$ 20,011,820</u>	<u>\$ 7,735,819</u>	<u>\$ 1,876,715</u>	<u>\$ 9,612,534</u>	<u>\$ 29,624,354</u>

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NOTE 16 SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

A summary of the changes in the outstanding principal and accrued sick leave for the District during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, is as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Balance July 1, 2023</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2024</u>
Bond Obligations	\$ 22,305,000	\$ 2,125,000	\$ 1,470,000	\$ 22,960,000
Bond premium	\$ 129,242	\$ 1,277	\$ 11,117	\$ 119,402
Bond discount	\$ (23,003)	\$ (36,660)	\$ (2,904)	\$ (56,759)
Sick Leave	\$ 773,597	\$ 32,687	\$ 128,111	\$ 678,173

NOTE 17 INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE

Current accounting and reporting standards define fair value, establish a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based on transparency of valuation inputs and require disclosures about fair value measurements. The hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The three levels are defined as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets.

Level 2 - Inputs are observable quoted prices for similar assets in active markets.

Level 3 - Inputs are unobservable and reflect our best estimate of what market participants would use as fair value.

Investments consisted of the following at June 30, 2024:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Brokered certificates of deposit	\$ 17,282,640	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,282,640
Total investments	<u>\$ 17,282,640</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 17,282,640</u>

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis and recognized in the accompanying statement of financial position, as well as the general classification pursuant to the valuation hierarchy. There were no valuations using Level 2 or 3 inputs.

Where quoted market prices are available in an active market, securities are classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy. Level 1 securities include brokered certificates of deposit. If quoted market prices are not available, then fair values are estimated by using pricing models or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics.

NOTE 18 LEASES

The district has a lease agreement for IT equipment that expires in July 2025. Annual payments of \$173,361 are required. There are no variable payments within the lease agreements.

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NOTE 18 LEASES (CONTINUED)

The district also has a lease agreement for office equipment that expires October 2028. Monthly payments are required. For fiscal year 2024, monthly payments are \$3,585.

The district has a lease agreement for office space. This lease requires quarterly payments of \$71,027 for fiscal year 2024 and \$71,027 for fiscal year 2025.

Interest rates range from 2.0% to 8.6% to calculate the lease liabilities.

The following table shows the District's change in lease accounts for the year ended June 30, 2024:

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Balance July 1, 2023</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2024</u>
ROU Asset	<u>\$ 1,911,349</u>	<u>\$ 1,039,737</u>	<u>\$ 1,211,378</u>	<u>\$ 1,739,708</u>
ROU Accum. Amort.	<u>\$ 1,657,897</u>	<u>\$ 288,839</u>	<u>\$ 1,211,378</u>	<u>\$ 735,358</u>
Lease liability	<u>\$ 282,134</u>	<u>\$ 1,039,737</u>	<u>\$ 309,506</u>	<u>\$ 1,012,365</u>

Future minimum payments related to these leases are shown below:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
FY2025	\$ 297,699	\$ 43,770	\$ 341,469
FY2026	312,865	28,604	341,469
FY2027	328,874	12,595	341,469
FY2028	53,807	3,553	57,360
FY2029	<u>19,120</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>19,275</u>
	<u>\$ 1,012,365</u>	<u>\$ 88,677</u>	<u>\$ 1,101,042</u>

NOTE 19 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events were considered through November 6, 2024, which represents the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

SUPPLEMENTARY
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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Combining Balance Sheet – Nonmajor Governmental Funds
As of June 30, 2024**

	<u>Capital Outlay Fund</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>School Activity Fund</u>	<u>Total Non-major Government Funds</u>
Assets					
Current:					
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 950,180</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 207,609</u>	<u>\$ 1,157,789</u>
Total current	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 950,180</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 207,609</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,157,789</u></u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 816</u>	<u>\$ 816</u>
Total current	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>816</u>	<u>816</u>
Fund Balances:					
Restricted:					
Other	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 950,180</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 206,793</u>	<u>\$ 1,156,973</u>
Total fund balances	<u>-</u>	<u>950,180</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>206,793</u>	<u>1,156,973</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 950,180</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 207,609</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,157,789</u></u>

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**Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and
Changes in Fund Balances – Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	Capital Outlay Fund	Building Fund	Debt Service Fund	School Activity Fund	Total Nonmajor Government Funds
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$ -	\$ 2,401,530	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,401,530
Earnings on investments	-	-	-	7,294	7,294
State sources	329,829	474,766	568,304	204,216	1,577,115
Total revenues	<u>329,829</u>	<u>2,876,296</u>	<u>568,304</u>	<u>211,510</u>	<u>3,985,939</u>
Expenditures:					
Instructional	-	-	-	139,867	139,867
Staff support services	-	-	-	60,918	60,918
Debt service:					
Principal	-	-	1,470,000	-	1,470,000
Interest	-	-	645,339	-	645,339
Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,115,339</u>	<u>200,785</u>	<u>2,316,124</u>
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenditures	<u>329,829</u>	<u>2,876,296</u>	<u>(1,547,035)</u>	<u>10,725</u>	<u>1,669,815</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Operating transfers in	-	-	1,547,035	-	1,547,035
Operating transfers out	(329,829)	(2,863,266)	-	-	(3,193,095)
Total other financing sources(uses)	<u>(329,829)</u>	<u>(2,863,266)</u>	<u>1,547,035</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,646,060)</u>
Net change in fund balance	-	13,030	-	10,725	23,755
Fund balance, July 1, 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>937,150</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>196,068</u>	<u>1,133,218</u>
Fund balance, June 30, 2024	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 950,180</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 206,793</u>	<u>\$ 1,156,973</u>

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**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance –
Budget to Actual – General Fund
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 19,780,304	\$ 19,780,304	\$ 19,595,201	\$ (185,103)
Other local sources	838,200	838,200	1,891,159	1,052,959
State sources	26,380,552	26,551,058	24,655,498	(1,895,560)
Federal sources	457,000	457,000	539,173	82,173
Other sources	<u>822,357</u>	<u>1,337,117</u>	<u>1,790,663</u>	<u>453,546</u>
Total revenues	<u>48,278,413</u>	<u>48,963,679</u>	<u>48,471,694</u>	<u>(491,985)</u>
Expenditures				
Instructional	34,521,939	34,228,584	22,483,811	11,744,773
Student support services	3,180,468	3,209,048	4,326,299	(1,117,251)
Staff support services	463,428	475,729	617,966	(142,237)
District administration	3,159,406	3,101,219	2,574,248	526,971
School administration	3,578,586	3,640,748	4,614,336	(973,588)
Business support services	2,333,280	2,329,289	2,650,594	(321,305)
Plant operation and maintenance	5,874,664	6,247,494	6,579,579	(332,085)
Student transportation	2,146,115	2,193,171	2,397,504	(204,333)
Food service operation	15,000	15,000	-	15,000
Community service operations	-	-	133	(133)
Facility acquisition and construction	15,000	15,000	192,363	(177,363)
Other	<u>6,859,957</u>	<u>7,319,829</u>	<u>527,862</u>	<u>6,791,967</u>
Total expenditures	<u>62,147,843</u>	<u>62,775,111</u>	<u>46,964,695</u>	<u>15,810,416</u>
Net change in fund balance	(13,869,430)	(13,811,432)	1,506,999	15,318,431
Fund balance, July 1, 2023	<u>13,869,430</u>	<u>13,811,432</u>	<u>13,811,432</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, June 30, 2024	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 15,318,431</u>	<u>\$ 15,318,431</u>

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**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance –
Budget to Actual – Special Revenue Fund
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Other local sources	\$ 550	\$ 42,526	\$ 574,864	\$ 532,338
State sources	2,429,630	2,422,471	2,351,819	(70,652)
Federal sources	6,907,716	7,730,699	21,644,211	13,913,512
Other sources	<u>292,667</u>	<u>292,667</u>	<u>310,918</u>	<u>18,251</u>
Total revenues	<u>9,630,563</u>	<u>10,488,363</u>	<u>24,881,812</u>	<u>14,393,449</u>
Expenditures:				
Instructional	5,999,408	6,635,514	12,121,278	(5,485,764)
Student support services	484,392	485,095	596,152	(111,057)
Staff support services	1,043,128	1,003,920	865,603	138,317
School administration	250,360	250,360	250,662	(302)
Business support services	-	-	9,600	(9,600)
Plant operation and maintenance	25,745	29,432	59,445	(30,013)
Student transportation	-	1,000	100,976	(99,976)
Day Care Operations	-	1,000	30,286	(29,286)
Community service operations	1,474,505	1,629,332	2,012,010	(382,678)
Other	<u>353,025</u>	<u>416,547</u>	<u>8,835,800</u>	<u>(8,419,253)</u>
Total expenditures	<u>9,630,563</u>	<u>10,452,200</u>	<u>24,881,812</u>	<u>(14,429,612)</u>
Net change in fund balance	-	36,163	-	(36,163)
Fund balance, July 1, 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance, June 30, 2024	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 36,163</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (36,163)</u>

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**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance –
Budget to Actual – Construction Fund
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Other sources	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,975,000</u>	<u>\$ 11,301,933</u>	<u>\$ 8,326,933</u>
Total revenues	<u>-</u>	<u>2,975,000</u>	<u>11,301,933</u>	<u>8,326,933</u>
Expenditures				
Facility acquisition and construction	<u>-</u>	<u>2,975,000</u>	<u>12,714,969</u>	<u>(9,739,969)</u>
Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>2,975,000</u>	<u>12,714,969</u>	<u>(9,739,969)</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,413,036)</u>	<u>(1,413,036)</u>
Fund balance, July 1, 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,846,713</u>	<u>5,846,713</u>
Fund balance, June 30, 2024	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,433,677</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,433,677</u></u>

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**Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balances –
Bond and Interest Redemption Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	<u>Issue of 2012</u>	<u>Issue of 2014</u>	<u>Issue of 2015</u>	<u>Issue of 2016 Energy</u>	<u>Issue of 2016B</u>	<u>Issue of 2017</u>
Cash at July 1, 2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Receipts:						
Transfers and miscellaneous deposits	69,175	262,288	226,563	521,413	109,600	212,469
Disbursements:						
Bonds paid	55,000	215,000	195,000	360,000	75,000	140,000
Interest coupons	14,175	47,288	31,563	161,413	34,600	72,469
Total disbursements	69,175	262,288	226,563	521,413	109,600	212,469
Excess of receipts over disbursements	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at July 1, 2024	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance at June 30, 2024	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<u>Issue of 2019</u>	<u>Issue of 2019 Ref</u>	<u>Issue of 2020</u>	<u>Issue of 2022</u>	<u>Issue of 2023A</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash at July 1, 2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Receipts:						
Transfers and miscellaneous deposits	73,875	156,488	213,581	170,538	99,349	2,115,339
Disbursements:						
Bonds paid	45,000	140,000	145,000	55,000	45,000	1,470,000
Interest coupons	28,875	16,488	68,581	115,538	54,349	645,339
Total disbursements	73,875	156,488	213,581	170,538	99,349	2,115,339
Excess of receipts over disbursements	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at July 1, 2024	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fund Balance at June 30, 2024	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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**Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balances
Holmes High School Activity Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	Fund Balance July 1, 2023	Receipts	Disbursements	Fund Balance June 30, 2024
Academic team	\$ 10	\$ -	\$ 10	\$ -
Alumni fund	705	-	705	-
Annual	1,067	295	1,050	312
Art department	514	-	-	514
Athletic office	20,714	58,985	59,792	19,907
Baseball fundraiser	2,191	-	1,816	375
Basketball fundraiser	38	-	38	-
Cheer	662	1,043	956	749
Cheerleaders	889	2,229	2,553	565
Chess Team	1,348	-	-	1,348
Child care development center	1,033	355	-	1,388
Class of 2024	202	624	826	-
Class of 2025	-	185	-	185
Concession	405	11,716	11,569	552
Cross country fundraiser	3,467	-	-	3,467
Don Conrad family scholarship	7,393	28,000	30,940	4,453
FBLA	198	350	548	-
Fine arts enrichment	624	-	624	-
Football fundraiser	225	-	225	-
G & R Reed scholarship	116	-	-	116
General fund	13,129	12,921	3,592	22,458
Heisel, DR medallion	4,606	-	-	4,606
Holmes broadcasting	283	-	283	-
Holmes Leadership Academy	594	1,160	-	1,754
Holmes marching band	1,374	400	-	1,774
Honor Society - Sr.	176	-	176	-
Library	678	-	438	240
Marine Corp adm	491	3,520	883	3,128
Media Arts Fundraiser	-	5,000	-	5,000
Mitchell, H & S scholarship	4,201	-	2,000	2,201
Needy student fund	584	-	584	-
PBIS	396	-	-	396
Petty cash	50	-	-	50
R&J Sargent scholarship	6,000	-	-	6,000

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**Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balances
Holmes High School Activity Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2024
(Continued)**

	Fund Balance July 1, 2023	Receipts	Disbursements	Fund Balance June 30, 2024
Records office	\$ 5,445	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,445
Robert & Wanda Carr Scholarship	1,175	850	1,000	1,025
Roth-Morgan scholarship	110	-	-	110
S.B.E. Small Business Center	865	2,369	1,465	1,769
SCG Fundraiser	-	362	-	362
SCR Fundraiser	2,448	1,193	1,688	1,953
Senior Legacy Project	350	-	350	-
Shelly Duncan Scholarship	2,970	500	1,000	2,470
Skills USA executive	939	-	-	939
Softball fast fundraiser	2,174	-	310	1,864
Spanish N.H.S.	150	-	150	-
Student council	8,747	13,153	10,018	11,882
Student Incentive	-	2,166	1,784	382
Student of the Month	326	500	50	776
Supply store	17,901	14,523	17,678	14,746
Swimming fundraiser	1,210	-	1,210	-
Teacher incentive	521	1,457	1,655	323
Textbooks	6,496	29	2,928	3,597
Track fundraiser	766	-	-	766
Tudor scholarship	2,125	-	800	1,325
Unity N Community	-	200	-	200
Varsity Club	33	-	33	-
Vogt Family Scholarship	1,750	3,250	2,500	2,500
Volleyball fundraiser	2,018	580	855	1,743
Welding	222	-	-	222
Woodrow Lane scholarship	10,000	-	5,000	5,000
Wrestling fundraiser	583	-	-	583
Youth service center	102	-	-	102
YSC Sr. welfare	802	200	-	1,002
YSC tobacco education	711	-	250	461
Total	\$ 145,302	\$ 168,115	\$ 170,332	\$ 143,085

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Fund Balances – School Activity Funds
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

	Covington Adult High School	Holmes Middle School	Sixth District Elementary School	Ninth District Elementary School	John G. Carlisle Elementary School
Fund balances at July 1, 2023	\$ -	\$ 5,122	\$ 9,732	\$ 6,947	\$ 13,778
Add: receipts	-	8,448	12,268	5,346	834
Less: disbursements	-	(6,275)	(7,029)	(3,242)	(2,836)
Fund balances at June 30, 2024	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,295</u>	<u>\$ 14,971</u>	<u>\$ 9,051</u>	<u>\$ 11,776</u>

	Glenn O. Swing Elementary School	Latonia Elementary School	James E. Biggs Early Childhood Education Center	Total
Fund balances at July 1, 2023	\$ 13,374	\$ 6,647	\$ -	\$ 55,600
Add: receipts	11,916	15,330	-	54,142
Less: disbursements	(8,246)	(17,395)	-	(45,023)
Fund balances at June 30, 2024	<u>\$ 17,044</u>	<u>\$ 4,582</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 64,719</u>

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – TRS

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the District	97,242,216	104,191,008	82,775,633	92,257,808	88,589,472	84,710,626	178,677,034	198,749,602	156,727,344	141,611,269
Total	\$ 97,242,216	\$ 104,191,008	\$ 82,775,633	\$ 92,257,808	\$ 88,589,472	\$ 84,710,626	\$ 178,677,034	\$ 198,749,602	\$ 156,727,344	\$ 141,611,269
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 24,659,830	\$ 23,457,826	\$ 19,798,478	\$ 18,212,653	\$ 22,657,437	\$ 21,943,037	\$ 22,406,306	\$ 22,494,557	\$ 21,828,578	\$ 21,596,543
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.68%	56.41%	65.59%	58.27%	58.76%	59.27%	39.83%	35.22%	42.49%	45.59%

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Changes of benefit terms: A new benefit tier was added for members joining the System on and after January 1, 2022

Changes of assumption: In 2014, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 5.16% to 5.23%.

Changes of assumption: In 2015, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 5.23% to 4.88%.

Changes of assumption: In the 2016 valuation, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In the 2016 valuation, the Assumed Salary Scale, Price Inflation, and Wage Inflation were adjusted to reflect a decrease. In addition, the calculation for the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 4.88% to 4.20%.

Changes of assumption: In 2017, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 4.20% to 4.49%.

Changes of assumption: In 2018, the calculation of the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) resulted in an assumption change from 4.49% to 7.50%.

Changes of assumption: In the 2020 experience study, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability, mortality, and rates of salary increases were adjusted to reflect actual experience more close. The expectation of mortality was changed to the Pub2010 Mortality Tables projected generationally with MP-2020 with various set forwards, set-backs, and adjustments for each of the groups; service retirees, contingent annuitants, disabled retirees, and actives. The assumed long-term investment rate of return was changed from 7.50% to 7.10% and the price inflation assumption was lowered from 3% to 2.50%. In addition, the calculation of the SEIR results in an assumption change from 7.50% to 7.10%.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of District Contributions – TRS

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,427,723	\$ 1,266,322	\$ 1,331,442	\$ 1,095,026	\$ 846,257	\$ 1,063,408	\$ 994,604	\$ 1,032,979	\$ 1,026,311	\$ 807,615
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(1,427,723)</u>	<u>(1,266,322)</u>	<u>(1,331,442)</u>	<u>(1,095,026)</u>	<u>(846,257)</u>	<u>(1,063,408)</u>	<u>(994,604)</u>	<u>(1,032,979)</u>	<u>(1,026,311)</u>	<u>(807,615)</u>
Contribution deficiency	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$24,659,830	\$ 23,148,306	\$ 23,457,826	\$ 19,798,478	\$ 18,212,653	\$ 22,657,437	\$ 21,943,037	\$ 22,406,306	\$ 22,494,557	\$ 21,828,578
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	5.79%	5.47%	5.68%	5.53%	4.65%	4.69%	4.53%	4.61%	4.56%	3.70%

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability – CERS

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of net pension liability	0.339752%	0.330739%	0.358648%	0.374577%	0.365720%	0.352104%	0.342321%	0.350383%	0.344818%	0.347687%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 21,800,216	\$ 23,909,167	\$ 22,866,623	\$ 28,729,746	\$ 25,721,251	\$ 21,444,207	\$ 20,037,101	\$ 17,251,501	\$ 14,825,559	\$ 11,280,000
Total net pension liability	\$ 6,416,508,407	\$ 7,229,013,496	\$ 6,375,784,388	\$ 7,669,917,211	\$ 7,033,044,552	\$ 6,090,304,793	\$ 5,853,307,482	\$ 4,923,618,237	\$ 4,299,525,565	\$ 3,244,377,000
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 10,386,870	\$ 9,766,811	\$ 9,147,649	\$ 7,903,847	\$ 9,223,519	\$ 8,892,640	\$ 8,478,926	\$ 8,520,633	\$ 8,195,123	\$ 8,098,732
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	209.9%	244.8%	250.0%	363.5%	278.9%	241.1%	236.3%	202.5%	180.9%	139.3%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.48%	52.42%	57.33%	47.81%	50.54%	53.54%	53.30%	55.50%	59.97%	66.80%

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Changes of benefit terms: The following changes were made by the Kentucky Legislature and reflected in the valuation performed as of June 30 listed below:

2014: As cash balance plan was introduced for member whose participation date is on or after January 1, 2014.

Changes of assumption: The following changes were made by the Kentucky Legislature and reflected in the valuation performed as of June 30 listed below:

2015: The assumed investment rate of return was decreased from 7.75% to 7.50%.

2015: The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.50% to 3.25%.

2015: The assumed rate of wage inflation was reduced from 1.00% to 0.75%.

2015: Payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.50% to 4.00%.

2015: The mortality table used for active members is RP-2000 Combined Mortality table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (multiplied by 50% for males and 30% for females).

2015: For healthy retired members and beneficiaries, the mortality table used is the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (set back 1 year for females). For disabled members, the RP-2000 Combined Disabled Mortality Table projected with Scale BB to 2013 (set back 4 years for males) is used for the period after disability retirement. There is some margin in the current mortality tables for possible future improvement in mortality rates and that margin will be reviewed again when the next experience investigation is conducted.

2015: The assumed rates of Retirement, Withdrawal and Disability were updated to more accurately reflect experience.

2017: The assumed investment rate of return was decreased from 7.50% to 6.25%.

2017: The assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 2.30%.

2017: The assumed rate of salary growth was reduced from 4.00% to 3.05%.

2023: The assumed investment rate of return was increased from 6.25% to 6.50%.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of District Contributions – CERS

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 2,523,938	\$ 2,782,867	\$ 2,629,882	\$ 2,202,404	\$ 1,901,582	\$ 1,981,277	\$ 1,695,634	\$ 1,583,863	\$ 1,453,521	\$ 1,447,873
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(2,523,938)	(2,782,867)	(2,629,882)	(2,202,404)	(1,901,582)	(1,981,277)	(1,695,634)	(1,583,863)	(1,453,521)	(1,447,873)
Contribution deficiency	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 10,809,049	\$ 10,386,870	\$ 9,766,811	\$ 9,147,649	\$ 7,903,847	\$ 9,223,519	\$ 8,892,640	\$ 8,478,926	\$ 8,520,633	\$ 8,195,123
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	23.35%	26.79%	26.93%	24.08%	24.06%	21.48%	19.07%	18.68%	17.06%	17.67%

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability – LIF

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	*	*	*
State's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability (asset) associated with the District	153,000	178,000	78,000	211,000	188,000	169,000	134,000	*	*	*
Total net OPEB liability	\$ 153,000	\$ 178,000	\$ 78,000	\$ 211,000	\$ 188,000	\$ 169,000	\$ 134,000	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$23,148,306	\$23,457,826	\$ 19,798,478	\$18,212,653	\$22,657,437	\$21,943,037	\$22,406,306	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	*	*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	76.91%	73.97%	89.15%	71.57%	73.40%	74.97%	79.99%	*	*	*

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Changes of benefit terms - None.

Methods and assumptions used in the actuarially determined contributions - The actuarially determined contribution rates, as a percentage of payroll, used to determine the actuarially determined contribution amounts in the Schedule of Employer Contributions are calculated as the of the indicated valuation date. The following actuarial methods and assumptions (from the indicated actuarial valuations) were used to determine contribution rates reported in that schedule for the year ending June 30, 2023:

Valuation date	June 30, 2020
Actuarial cost method	Entry Age Normal
Amortization method	Level Percent of Payroll
Amortization period	24 Years
Asset valuation method	Five-year smoothed value
Inflation	3.00%
Real wage growth	0.50%
Wage inflation	3.50%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.50% - 7.20%
Discount rate	7.50%

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of District Contributions – LIF

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	*	*	*
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	*
Contribution deficiency	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 24,659,830	\$ 23,148,306	\$ 23,457,826	\$ 19,798,478	\$ 18,212,653	\$ 22,657,437	\$ 21,943,037	*	*	*
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	*	*	*

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability – MIF

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	0.300416%	0.437942%	0.334582%	0.344555%	0.341841%	0.329210%	0.344001%	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ 7,317,000	\$ 10,872,000	\$ 7,179,000	\$ 8,696,000	\$ 10,005,000	\$ 11,423,000	\$ 12,266,000	*	*	*
State's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability associated with the District	\$ 6,167,000	\$ 3,572,000	\$ 5,830,000	\$ 6,966,000	\$ 8,080,000	\$ 9,844,000	\$ 10,020,000	*	*	*
Total net OPEB liability	\$ 13,484,000	\$ 14,444,000	\$ 13,009,000	\$ 15,662,000	\$ 18,085,000	\$ 21,267,000	\$ 22,286,000	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 23,148,306	\$ 23,457,826	\$ 19,798,478	\$ 18,212,653	\$ 22,657,437	\$ 21,943,037	\$ 22,406,306	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	31.6%	46.3%	36.3%	47.7%	44.2%	52.1%	54.7%	*	*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	52.97%	47.75%	51.74%	39.05%	32.58%	25.54%	21.18%	*	*	*

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Changes of benefit terms - None

Changes to assumptions

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of District Contributions – MIF

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 569,239	\$ 581,094	\$ 593,885	\$ 608,508	\$ 595,239	\$ 586,427	\$ 589,370	*	*	*
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(569,239)</u>	<u>(581,094)</u>	<u>(593,885)</u>	<u>(608,508)</u>	<u>(595,239)</u>	<u>(586,427)</u>	<u>(589,370)</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>
Contribution deficiency	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$24,659,830	\$23,148,306	\$23,457,826	\$19,798,478	\$18,212,653	\$22,657,437	\$21,943,037	*	*	*
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	2.31%	2.51%	2.53%	3.07%	3.27%	2.59%	2.69%	*	*	*

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability – MIF (CERS)

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
District's proportion of the collective trust OPEB liability	0.339732%	0.330686%	0.358564%	0.374469%	0.365658%	0.352096%	0.342321%	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability	\$ (469,057)	\$ 6,526,133	\$ 6,864,528	\$ 9,042,288	\$ 6,150,203	\$ 6,251,394	\$ 6,881,823	*	*	*
State's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability associated with the District	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	*	*	*
Total net OPEB liability	\$ (469,057)	\$ 6,526,133	\$ 6,864,528	\$ 9,042,288	\$ 6,150,203	\$ 6,251,394	\$ 6,881,823	*	*	*
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 10,386,870	\$ 9,766,811	\$ 9,147,649	\$ 7,903,847	\$ 9,223,519	\$ 8,892,640	\$ 8,478,926	*	*	*
District's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	-4.5%	66.8%	75.0%	114.4%	66.7%	70.3%	81.2%	*	*	*
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	104.23%	60.95%	62.91%	51.67%	60.44%	57.62%	52.40%	*	*	*

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Changes in assumptions: None

2018: Updated health care trend rates were implemented.

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schedule of District Contributions – MIF (CERS)

	Last 10 Fiscal Years*									
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 334,321	\$ 381,380	\$ 436,053	\$ 456,711	\$ 485,279	\$ 410,169	\$ 394,230	*	*	*
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(334,321)</u>	<u>(381,380)</u>	<u>(436,053)</u>	<u>(456,711)</u>	<u>(485,279)</u>	<u>(410,169)</u>	<u>(394,230)</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>
Contribution deficiency	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 10,809,049	\$ 10,386,870	\$ 9,766,811	\$ 9,147,649	\$ 7,903,847	\$ 9,223,519	\$ 8,892,640	*	*	*
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	3.09%	3.67%	4.46%	4.99%	6.14%	4.45%	4.43%	*	*	*

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COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Agreement Number	Federal Expenditures for FYE 6/30/2024
U.S. Department of Education			
<i>Passed through Kentucky Department of Education</i>			
Special Education Cluster			
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	3810002 21	\$ 12,813
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	3810002 22	417,141
Special Education_Grants to States	84.027	3810002 23	666,191
Special Education_Preschool Grants	84.173	3810002 22	14,647
Special Education_Preschool Grants	84.173	3810002 23	23,993
IDEA - American Rescue Plan	84.027X	4910002-21	113,188
IDEA Preschool - American Rescue Plan	84.173X	4900002-21	27,082
Total Special Education Cluster			<u>1,275,055</u>
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	3100002 21	42,801
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	3100002 22	451,944
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	3100002 23	3,064,495
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	3100202 21	25,617
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	3100102 22	523,950
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010A	N/A	12,741
Total for ALN #84.010			<u>4,121,548</u>
Career and technical Education -Basic Grants to States	84.048	3710002 22	10,003
Career and technical Education -Basic Grants to States	84.048	3710002 23	104,837
Total for ALN #84.048			<u>114,840</u>
Title II Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	3230002 21	28,406
Title II Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	3230002 22	120,547
Title II Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	3230002 23	94,460
Total for ALN #84.367			<u>243,413</u>
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	3300002 21	2,726
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	3300002 22	68,824
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365	3300002 23	11,558
Total for ALN #84.365			<u>83,108</u>
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers	84.287C	3400002 21	96,451
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers	84.287C	3400002 22	594,163
Total for ALN #84.287			<u>690,614</u>
Title IV Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grant	84.424A	3420002 23	217,667
Total for ALN #84.424A			<u>217,667</u>
Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Grant	84.196A	3990002 22	79,493
Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Grant	84.196A	3990002 23	134,728
Total for ALN #84.196A			<u>214,221</u>
COVID CARES Act Education Stabilization Fund - ESSER II	84.425D	4200002-21	52,566
COVID CARES Act Education Stabilization Fund - ESSER III	84.425U	4300002-21	13,491,448
COVID American Rescue Plan - CTE Showcase	84.425U	4300005-21	(390)
COVID American Rescue Plan - ESSER STEPP grant	84.425U	4300003-21	7,213
COVID American Rescue Plan - Before/After School Program	84.425U	4300006-21	318,833
COVID American Rescue Plan - Summer school grant	84.425U	4300007-21	100,325
COVID FRYSC GEER II	84.425C	PON2 730 2000001722	83,963
COVID American Relief program - SBH Homeless	84.425W	S425W210018	129,179
Total for ALN #84.425			<u>14,183,137</u>
Kentucky Community School Initiative	84.215J	S215J220173	60,301
Total for ALN #84.215			<u>60,301</u>
GEAR UP	84.334S	N/A	3,334
Total for ALN #84.334			<u>3,334</u>

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
(Continued)
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

<u>Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/ Program or Cluster Title</u>	<u>Federal Assistance Listing Number</u>	<u>Agreement Number</u>	<u>Federal Expenditures for FYE 6/30/2024</u>
<i>Passed through Erlanger/Elsmere School District</i>			
Violence Prevention Pyramid Project	84.184M	N/A	23,379
Violence Prevention Pyramid Project	84.184M	N/A	196,414
Violence Prevention Pyramid Project	84.184M	N/A	114,945
Total for ALN #84.184			<u>334,738</u>
Total U.S. Department of Education			<u>21,541,976</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</u>			
<i>Passed through Kentucky Department of Education</i>			
COVID CRRSA Child Care Aid	93.575	N/A	(111)
COVID American Rescue Plan Act Child Care & Development Technology Block Grant	93.575	N/A	1,000
COVID American Rescue Plan Act Child Care Sustainment	93.575	N/A	(5,045)
Total for ALN #93.575			<u>(4,156)</u>
FEMA COVID - 19	97.036	N/A	(32,531)
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services			<u>(36,687)</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>			
Child Nutrition Cluster			
<i>Passed through Kentucky Department of Education</i>			
National School Lunch Program	10.555	7750002 23	381,518
National School Lunch Program	10.555	7750002 24	1,564,508
School Breakfast Program	10.553	7760005 23	110,666
School Breakfast Program	10.553	7760005 24	688,976
Summer Food Program	10.559	7690024 23	7,502
Summer Food Program	10.559	7740023 23	72,758
Total U.S. Department of Education			2,825,928
<i>Passed through Kentucky Department of Agriculture</i>			
National School Lunch Program - Food Donation	10.555	059-0203	90,739
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			<u>2,916,667</u>
Other			
<i>Passed through Kentucky Department of Education</i>			
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	7790021 23	31,478
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	7790021 24	266,464
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	7800016 23	1,791
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558	7800016 24	15,169
Total Other U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>314,902</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			<u>3,231,569</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Defense</u>			
<i>Passed through Kentucky Department of Education</i>			
Junior ROTC	12.357	N/A	77,114
Total U.S. Department of Defense			<u>77,114</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u>\$ 24,813,972</u>

See accompanying notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

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

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

NOTE 3 FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Nonmonetary assistance is reported in the schedule at the fair value of the commodities disbursed. For the year ended June 30, 2024, the District reported food commodities expended in the amount of \$90,739.

NOTE 4 INDIRECT COST RATE

The District has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under Uniform Guidance.

NOTE 5 SUBRECIPIENTS

The District did not have any subrecipients during the year ended June 30, 2024.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND
ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Members of the Board of Education
Covington Independent School District
Covington, Kentucky

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Covington Independent School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Covington Independent School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 6, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2024-01 that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND
ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS
(Continued)**

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Covington Independent School District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2024-01.

We noted other matters that we reported to management of the District on page 84 to 86.

Covington Independent School District's response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the Covington Independent Schools' response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Covington Independent Schools' response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of this Report

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



Crestview Hills, Kentucky

November 6, 2024

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

Members of the Board of Education
Covington Independent School District
Covington, Kentucky

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Covington Independent School District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of Covington Independent School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024. Covington Independent School District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Covington Independent School District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

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

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

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

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE
(Continued)**

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

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

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding Covington Independent School District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of Covington Independent School District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Covington Independent School District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM
AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE
(Continued)**

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance (Continued)

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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

Barnes, Dennig & Co., Ltd.

Crestview Hills, Kentucky
November 6, 2024

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

SECTION I -SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

Financial Statements

Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? _____ Yes X No
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? X Yes _____ None noted

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? _____ Yes X No

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? _____ Yes X No
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? _____ Yes X None noted

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

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 2 CFR Section 200.516(a)? _____ Yes X No

Identification of major programs

Assistance Listing Number	Name of Federal Program or Clusters
10.553, 10.555, 10.559	Child Nutrition Cluster
84.425	Education Stabilization Fund

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

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? X Yes _____ No

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Continued)
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

2024-01 – Controls surrounding payroll

Criteria: The District is responsible for establishing and following controls that prevent, detect and correct errors in a timely manner.

Condition and Context: During the course of the audit, we identified controls surrounding payroll that were not followed by the district. An employee advocated that their pay was not correct and the district increased their pay that was not in line with the employee's contract.

Effect: Overpayment of salary to an employee that was not remedied timely.

Cause: Management override of controls and payment of salary that was not in line with the contract.

Recommendation: Internal controls surrounding payroll for an employee of the district should be followed. Salaries should be paid out based on employee contracts that are in effect.

Views of the Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions: The Payroll department will do a calculation comparison of employee's salaries each year. Based on the findings, if necessary the Payroll Department will speak with the Finance Director. Based on the outcome, the Finance Director will involve the Executive Director of Human Resources and/or the Superintendent.

SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COST

No matters are reportable

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Summary Schedule of Prior Year Findings and Questioned Costs
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

SECTION I – SUMMARY OF PRIOR YEAR AUDITOR’S RESULTS

No matters are reportable

SECTION II – PRIOR YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

No matters are reportable

SECTION III – PRIOR YEAR FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COST

No matters are reportable

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Management Letter Comments
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Covington Independent School District for the year ended June 30, 2024, we considered the District's internal control structure to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

This letter summarizes our comments and suggestions regarding those matters. A separate report dated November 6, 2024 contains our report on significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the District's internal control structure. This letter does not affect our report dated November 6, 2024, on the financial statements of the Covington Independent School District.

CURRENT YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS

CENTRAL OFFICE

No matters are reportable

ACTIVITY FUNDS

Holmes High School

No matters are reportable

Holmes Middle School

No matters are reportable

Covington Independent Adult High School

No matters are reportable

Sixth District Elementary

No matters are reportable

Ninth District Elementary

No matters are reportable

Latonia Elementary

No matters are reportable

John G. Carlisle Elementary

No matters are reportable

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Management Letter Comments
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

CURRENT YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS (Continued)

Glenn O. Swing Elementary

No matters are reportable

James E. Biggs Early Childhood Education Center

No matters are reportable

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Management Letter Comments (Continued)
Year Ended June 30, 2024**

STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS

CENTRAL OFFICE

No matters are reportable

ACTIVITY FUNDS

Holmes High School

No matters are reportable

Holmes Middle School

No matters are reportable

Covington Independent Adult High School

No matters are reportable

Sixth District Elementary

No matters are reportable

Ninth District Elementary

No matters are reportable

John G. Carlisle Elementary

Statement of prior year deficiency: During the testing of activity funds, it was noted that one deposit was not made in a timely manner.

Current year follow up: Deposits were made in a timely manner.

Latonia Elementary

No matters are reportable

Glenn O. Swing Elementary

No matters are reportable

James E. Biggs Early Childhood Education Center

No matters are reportable

APPENDIX D

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

5. The total amount of bonds, notes, and other obligations of the District subject to the debt limitation set forth in KRS Section 66.041 (Line 3 minus Line 4) is \$12,835,000*
6. The total amount of bonds, notes, and other obligations of the District subject to the debt limitation set forth in KRS Section 66.041, as computed in Line 5 above, does not exceed 2% of the assessed valuation of all of the taxable property in the District.**
7. The current tax rate of the District, for school purposes, upon the value of its taxable property is \$0.9250 per \$100 of assessed valuation for real property and \$0.9660 per \$100 of assessed valuation for tangible property, which does not exceed the maximum permissible aggregate tax rate for the District permitted by Kentucky law.
8. The issuance of the bonds, bond anticipation notes, or other obligations set forth in Line 3 hereof will not cause the tax rate set forth in Paragraph 7 hereof to increase in an amount which would exceed the maximum permissible aggregate tax rate for the District permitted by Kentucky law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this May 1, 2025.

By: _____
Treasurer

* Preliminary, subject to change.

** In accordance with KRS Section 66.041, a city, county, urban-county, consolidated local government, charter county, or taxing district shall not incur net indebtedness to an amount exceeding the following maximum percentages on the value of taxable property within the city, county, urban-county, consolidated local government, charter county, or taxing district, as estimated by the last certified assessment previous to the incurring of the indebtedness:

- (a) Cities, urban-counties, consolidated local governments, and charter counties having a population of 15,000 or more, 10%;
- (b) Cities, urban-counties, and charter counties having a population of less than 15,000 but not less than 3,000, 5%;
- (c) Cities, urban-counties, and charter counties having a population of less than 3,000, 3%; and
- (d) Counties and taxing districts, 2%.

APPENDIX E

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

FORM OF APPROVING LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL

The form of the approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Bond Counsel, is set forth below. The actual opinion will be delivered on the date of delivery of the Bonds referred to therein and may vary from the form set forth to reflect circumstances both factual and legal at the time of delivery. Recirculation of the Final Official Statement shall create no implication that Dinsmore & Shohl LLP has reviewed any of the matters set forth in such opinion subsequent to the date of such opinion.

[Date of Delivery]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have examined the transcript of proceedings relating to the issue of \$6,720,000* General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 (the “Bonds”) of the Covington Independent School District (the “District”), dated May 1, 2025, numbered R-1 upward, and of denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds mature, bear interest, and are subject to optional redemption upon the terms set forth therein. We have also examined a specimen Bond.

Based upon this examination, we are of the opinion, based upon the laws, regulations, rulings, and decisions in effect on the date hereof, that:

1. The Bonds constitute valid obligations of the District in accordance with their terms, which, unless paid from other sources, are payable from taxes to be levied by the District, without limitation as to rate.

2. In accordance with the laws, regulations, rulings, and judicial decisions in effect on the date hereof, interest on the Bonds is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”). Further, interest on the Bonds will not be treated as a specific item of tax preference in computing the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. In rendering the opinions in this paragraph, we have assumed continuing compliance with certain covenants designed to meet the requirements of Section 103 of the Code. We express no other opinion as to the federal or state tax consequences of purchasing, holding, or disposing of the Bonds.

3. The interest on the Bonds is not subject to income taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the Bonds are not subject to ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky or any political subdivision thereof.

The District has designated the Bonds as “qualified tax-exempt obligations” with respect to investments by certain financial institutions under Section 265 of the Code.

In rendering this opinion, we have relied upon covenants and certifications of facts, estimates, and expectations made by officials of the District and others contained in the transcript for the Bonds; which we have not independently verified. It is to be understood that the enforceability of the Bonds may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, and any other laws in effect from time to time affecting creditors’ rights generally, and to the exercise of judicial discretion.

Very truly yours,

* Preliminary, subject to change.

APPENDIX F

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

This CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE (this “Certificate”) is executed and delivered as of May 1, 2025, by the Covington Independent School District (the “Issuer”), in connection with the issuance and delivery of \$6,720,000* aggregate principal amount of Covington Independent School District, Series 2025 (the “Obligations”). The Obligations are being issued under and in accordance with a resolution duly adopted by Board of Education of the Issuer on March 27, 2025 (the “Authorizing Legislation”). The Issuer hereby certifies, covenants, and agrees as follows:

Section 1. Purpose of this Certificate.

This Certificate is being executed and delivered by the Issuer to provide for the disclosure of certain information concerning the Obligations on an ongoing basis, as set forth herein, for the benefit of the Holders (as hereinafter defined) of the Obligations, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, as amended from time to time (the “Rule”).

Section 2. Definitions; Scope of this Certificate.

All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Authorizing Legislation and the Obligations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term “Disclosure Agent” shall mean the Issuer or any disclosure agent appointed or engaged by the Issuer, and any successor disclosure agent shall automatically succeed to the rights and duties of the Disclosure Agent hereunder, without any amendment hereto. The following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:

“Annual Financial Information” means a copy of the annual comprehensive financial report prepared for the Issuer, which shall include, if prepared, a balance sheet, a statement of revenues and expenditures, and a statement of changes in fund balances, generally consistent with the information set forth in Appendix C to the Offering Document. All of such Annual Financial Information shall be prepared using generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units; provided, however, that the Issuer may change the accounting principles used to prepare such Annual Financial Information so long as the Issuer includes, as information provided to the public, a statement to the effect that different accounting principles are being used, stating the reason for such change, and explaining how to compare the financial information provided by the differing accounting principles. Any items listed above may be set forth in other documents which have been transmitted to the MSRB, including any Offering Documents of debt issues of the Issuer or any related public entities, or may be included by specific reference to any documents available to the public on the MSRB’s Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) system or filed with the SEC. The Issuer shall clearly identify each such other document so incorporated by reference.

“Beneficial Owner” means any person which has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Obligations (including any persons holding the Obligations through nominees, depositories, or other intermediaries).

“Event,” with respect to the Obligations, means any of the following events:

- (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, reflecting financial difficulties;
- (v) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;

* Preliminary, subject to change.

- (vi) Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of any proposed or final determinations of taxability, any Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB), or any other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or any other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security;
- (vii) Modifications to rights of security holders, if material;
- (viii) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers (except any mandatory scheduled redemptions not otherwise contingent upon the occurrence of an event);
- (ix) Defeasances;
- (x) Release, substitution, or sale of any property securing the repayment of the securities, if material;
- (xi) Rating changes;
- (xii) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or any other similar event of the Issuer (Note – This event is considered to occur upon the occurrence of any of the following events: The appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent, or other similar officer for the Issuer in any proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under any state or federal law in which any court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers of the Issuer in possession of such assets or business but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement, or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the Issuer);
- (xiii) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or other 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 any such actions, or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to such actions, other than in accordance with its terms, if material;
- (xiv) Appointment of any 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 any other similar terms of any Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- (xvi) Default, acceleration event, termination event, modification of terms, or any other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

The SEC requires the listing of (i) through (xvi), although some of such events may not be applicable to the Obligations.

“Financial Obligation” means (a) any debt obligation; (b) any derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, any existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) a guarantee of either (a) or (b). The term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

“Holders” means any holder or Beneficial Owner of the Obligations.

“MSRB” means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

“Offering Document” means the Official Statement dated May 1, 2025.

“Operating Data” means an update of certain operating data of the Issuer, which is limited to the information set forth under the following headings (or their functional equivalents) of Appendix B to the Offering Document: “Assessed Value of Property,” “Historical Tax Rates,” “Tax Collection History,” “Top Ten Taxpayers,” “Attendance,” and “SEEK Report.”

“Participating Underwriter” means any of the original underwriters of the Obligations required to comply with the Rule in connection with the offering of the Obligations.

“SEC” means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Section 3. Disclosure of Information.

(A) Information Provided to the Public. Except to the extent that this Certificate is modified or otherwise altered in accordance with Section 4 hereof, the Issuer shall make, or shall cause the Disclosure Agent to make, public the information set forth in subsections (i), (ii), and (iii) below:

(i) Annual Financial Information and Operating Data. The Annual Financial Information and Operating Data of the Issuer, at least annually, on or before 270 days after the end of each fiscal year ending June 30, commencing with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, and continuing with each fiscal year thereafter. If the Disclosure Agent is an entity or person other than the Issuer, then the Issuer shall provide the Annual Financial Information and Operating Data to the Disclosure Agent no later than fifteen Business Days before the disclosure date set forth above. The Annual Financial Information and Operating Data may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information; provided that the audited financial statements of the Issuer may be submitted separately from the other Annual Financial Information.

(ii) Event Notices. Notice of the occurrence of any Event, in a timely manner, not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the Event.

(iii) Failure to Provide Annual Financial Information or Operating Data. Notice of the failure of the Issuer to provide the Annual Financial Information or Operating Data by the disclosure date required by subsection (A)(ii) of this Section.

(B) Dates Information is to be Provided to the Public. The Annual Financial Information and Operating Data of the Issuer and, subject to the timing requirement set forth in subsection (A)(ii) of this Section, notices of Event occurrences shall be made public on the same day as notice thereof is given to the Holders of the outstanding Obligations, if such notice is required in accordance with the provisions of the Authorizing Legislation or the Obligations, and such information shall not be made public before the date of such notice.

(C) Means of Making Information Public.

(i) Information shall be deemed to have been made public by either the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent under this Certificate if such information is transmitted as provided in subsection (C)(ii) of this Section, by the following means:

(a) to all of the Holders of outstanding Obligations, by first class mail, postage prepaid;

(b) to the MSRB, in any electronic format prescribed by the MSRB, and accompanied by the identifying information prescribed by the MSRB; or

(c) to the SEC, by (1) electronic facsimile transmissions confirmed by first class mail, postage prepaid, or (2) first class mail, postage prepaid; provided, however, that the Issuer and the Disclosure Agent are authorized to transmit information to the SEC by any means that are mutually acceptable to the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent, as the case may be, and the SEC.

(ii) The following information shall be transmitted to the following parties:

(a) All information required to be provided to the public under subsection (A) of this Section shall also be transmitted to the MSRB.

(b) All information required to be provided to the public under subsection (A) of this Section shall be made available, upon request therefor, to any Holders of the Obligations, but need not be transmitted to the Holders of the Obligations who do not so request.

(iii) To the extent that the Issuer is obligated to file any Annual Financial Information and Operating Data with the MSRB under this Certificate, such Annual Financial Information and Operating Data may be set forth in a document or a set of documents transmitted to the MSRB or may be included by specific reference to any documents available to the public on the MSRB's Electronic Municipal Market Access (EMMA) system or filed with the SEC.

(iv) The Issuer or the Disclosure Agent may require payment from the Holders of the Obligations in connection with any request from a Holder for any periodic information regarding the finances or operational data of the Issuer or for any information regarding the occurrence of an Event, as provided by subsection (C)(ii)(b) of this Section, by charging any Holder which makes such a request for (1) the reasonable costs incurred by the Issuer or Disclosure Agent in duplicating and transmitting the requested information to such Holder, and (2) the reasonable administrative expenses incurred by the Issuer or Disclosure Agent in providing the requested information to such Holder.

Section 4. Amendment or Modification.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Certificate to the contrary, the Issuer may amend this Certificate and waive any provision hereof, so long as such amendment or waiver is supported by an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel with expertise in federal securities laws, stating that such amendment or waiver would not, in and of itself, cause any of the undertakings set forth herein to violate the Rule if such amendment or waiver had been effective on the date hereof, but taking into account any subsequent change in the Rule or in the official interpretation thereof, as well as any change in circumstance.

Section 5. Miscellaneous.

(A) Termination of Certificate. The obligations of the Issuer and the Disclosure Agent, if any, under this Certificate shall terminate when all of the Obligations are, or are deemed to be, no longer outstanding by reason of the redemption or legal defeasance of the Obligations or upon the maturity thereof.

(B) Additional Information. Nothing in this Certificate shall be deemed to prevent the Issuer from (i) disseminating any other information using the means of dissemination set forth herein or by any other means of communication, or (ii) including any other information, in addition to the information that is required by this Certificate, in any Annual Financial Information, Operating Data, or notice of the occurrence of an Event provided hereunder. If the Issuer chooses to include any other information in any Annual Financial Information, Operating Data, or notice of the occurrence of an Event in addition to that which is specifically

required under this Certificate, the Issuer shall have no obligation hereunder to update any such additional information or to include such information in any future Annual Financial Information, Operating Data, or notice of the occurrence of an Event provided under this Certificate.

(C) Defaults; Remedies. If the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent, if any, fails to comply with any of the provisions of this Certificate, any Holder of the Obligations may take any action as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking an action in mandamus or for specific performance, to cause the Issuer or the Disclosure Agent, as the case may be, to comply with its respective obligations hereunder. Any default under this Certificate shall not constitute a default on the Obligations, and the sole remedy available in any proceeding to enforce this Certificate shall be an action to compel specific performance.

(D) Beneficiaries. This Certificate shall inure solely to the benefit of the Issuer, the Disclosure Agent, if any, the Participating Underwriter, and the Holders or Beneficial Owners of the Obligations and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

Section 6. Additional Disclosure Obligations.

The Issuer hereby acknowledges and understands that other state and federal laws, including, but not limited to, the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, may apply to the Issuer and that, under some circumstances, compliance with this Certificate, without additional disclosures or other action, may not fully discharge all of the duties and obligations of the Issuer under such laws.

Section 7. Notices.

Any notices or communications to the Issuer may be given as follows:

To the Issuer: Covington Independent School District
25 East 7th Street
Covington, Kentucky 41011
Attention: Finance Director
Telephone: (859) 392-1000

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SIGNATURE PAGE TO CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer has caused its duly authorized officer to execute this Certificate as of the day and year first above written.

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT

By: _____
Chair

APPENDIX G

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

BOOK-ENTRY ONLY SYSTEM

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The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, NY, will act as securities depository for the Bonds. The Bonds 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 Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, 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 the 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 under 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 instruments (from over 100 countries) that its participants (the “Direct Participants”) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between the Direct Participants’ accounts, which eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers, dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (“DTCC”), which is the holding company for DTC, the National Securities Clearing Corporation, and the 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, including both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers, dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with any Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (the “Indirect Participants” and, together with the Direct Participants, the “Participants”). DTC has a rating of AA+ from S&P. The DTC Rules that are applicable to the Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at www.dtcc.com.

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

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

The conveyance of notices and any other communications by DTC to the Direct Participants, by the Direct Participants to the Indirect Participants, and by the Direct Participants and the Indirect Participants to

the 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. The Beneficial Owners may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events relating to the Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults, and proposed amendments to the bond documents. For example, the Beneficial Owners may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to the Beneficial Owners. Alternatively, the Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the Registrar and request that copies of notices be provided directly to them.

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

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the District 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 Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments on the Bonds 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 detailed information from the District or the Paying Agent, on the payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown upon DTC's records. All payments by the Participants to the Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with any 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, the Paying Agent, or the District, 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) will be the responsibility of the District or the Paying Agent, the disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and the disbursement of such payments to Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of the Direct Participants and the Indirect Participants.

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

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

The information contained in this Appendix concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

APPENDIX H

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

OFFICIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BOND SALE

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\$6,720,000*

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025

Notice is hereby given that electronic bids will be received by the Board of Education of the Covington Independent School District (the “District”), until 11:00 a.m., E.S.T. on April 10, 2025, at the office of the District at 25 East 7th Street, Covington, Kentucky 41011, receive sealed competitive bids for the bonds described herein (the “Bonds”). To be considered, bids must be submitted on an Official Bid Form and must be delivered to the Secretary at the address indicated on the date of sale no later than the hour indicated. Bids will be opened by the Secretary and may be accepted without further action by the District’s Board of Education.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY, PURPOSE OF ISSUE, AND SECURITY

The Bonds are authorized by Sections 66.011 to 66.191, inclusive, of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, and Section 160.160 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, as amended, and are being issued under and in accordance with a Bond Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on March 27, 2025 (the “Bond Resolution”). The Bonds are general obligation bonds and constitute a direct indebtedness of the District. The Bonds are secured by the District’s ability to levy, and its pledge to levy, an ad valorem tax on all property within the District in a sufficient amount to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

The Bonds are being issued for the purposes of (i) financing all or a portion of the costs of to acquiring, constructing, renovating, equipping, and installing capital improvements to Holmes High School softball field and the District’s Chapman Career and Technical Educational Center (collectively, the “Project”); (ii) paying capitalized interest on the Bonds, if desirable; (iii) paying all or a portion of the costs of credit enhancement for the Bonds, if any; and (iv) paying all or a portion of the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

BOND MATURITIES, PRIOR REDEMPTION PROVISIONS, AND PAYING AGENT

The Bonds shall be dated their date of initial issuance and delivery and shall bear interest at the rates set forth on the cover page hereof, payable semiannually on May 1 and November 1, beginning November 1, 2025.

The Bonds are scheduled to mature on May 1, in each of the years as follows:

<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount*</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount*</u>
May 1, 2026	\$95,000	May 1, 2036	\$310,000
May 1, 2027	200,000	May 1, 2037	320,000
May 1, 2028	215,000	May 1, 2038	360,000
May 1, 2029	220,000	May 1, 2039	375,000
May 1, 2030	230,000	May 1, 2040	390,000
May 1, 2031	245,000	May 1, 2041	400,000
May 1, 2032	255,000	May 1, 2042	420,000

* Preliminary, subject to change.

May 1, 2033	270,000	May 1, 2043	590,000
May 1, 2034	280,000	May 1, 2044	615,000
May 1, 2035	295,000	May 1, 2045	635,000

The Bonds maturing on and after May 1, 2035 are subject to optional redemption on any date on and after May 1, 2034, in whole or in part, in such order of maturity as shall be designated in writing by the District and by lot within a maturity, at the election of the District upon thirty-five days' written notice to U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Louisville, Kentucky, as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar for the Bonds (the "Paying Agent and Bond Registrar") at a redemption price equal to the par amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

At least thirty days before the redemption date of any Bonds, the Paying Agent and Bond Registrar shall cause a notice of such redemption either in whole or in part, signed by the Paying Agent and Bond Registrar, to be mailed, first class, postage prepaid, to all registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed at their addresses as they appear on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent and Bond Registrar, but failure to mail any such notice shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for such redemption of Bonds for which such notice has been sent. Each such notice shall set forth the date fixed for redemption, the redemption price to be paid and, if less than all of the Bonds being payable by their terms on a single date then outstanding shall be called for redemption, the distinctive number or letters, if any, of such Bonds to be redeemed.

BIDDING CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

The terms and conditions of the sale of the Bonds are as follows:

Bid Form. Bids shall be for the entire issue and shall be made on the Official Bid Form in order to provide for uniformity in submission of bids and ready determination of the lowest and best bid.

Minimum Bid. Bidders are required to bid for the entire issue of Bonds at a minimum price of not less than \$6,585,600 (98% of par), PAYABLE IN IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FUNDS.

Award; Adjustment. The determination of the best purchase bid for each of the Bonds will be made on the basis of the lowest true interest rate to be calculated as that rate (or yield) that, when used in computing the present worth of all payments of principal and interest on the Bonds (compounded semi-annually from the date of the Bonds), produces an amount equal to the purchase price of the Bonds, as set forth in the Official Bid Form, for exactly \$6,720,000* principal amount of Bonds offered for sale hereunder. Upon determination of the lowest true interest rate, the principal amounts of the Bonds shall be immediately adjusted by the District to determine the maturities of the final bond issue. The successful bidder will be required to accept the Bonds in the amounts so computed, whether the principal amount has been increased by up to ten percent (10%) or decreased in an amount deemed by the District to be in its best interest (the "Permitted Adjustment") and to pay the purchase price based upon the aggregate amount of the final issue.

The District also has the right to adjust individual principal maturity amounts, even if the total amount of the Bonds does not change, in order to promote desired annual debt service levels. In the event

* Preliminary, subject to change.

that the principal amount of any maturity of the Bonds is revised after the award, the interest rate and reoffering price for each maturity and the Underwriter's Discount of the Bonds, as submitted by the successful bidder, will be held constant. The Underwriter's Discount is defined as the difference between the purchase price of the Bonds submitted by the bidder and the price at which the Bonds will be offered to the public, calculated from information provided by the bidder, divided by the par amount of the Bonds bid.

Good Faith Deposit. The successful purchaser shall be required (without further advice from the District) to wire transfer an amount equal to 2% of the par amount of the Bonds to the Paying Agent Bank by the close of business of the day following the award as a good faith deposit. Said amount will be applied (without interest) to the purchase price upon delivery and will be forfeited if the purchaser fails to take delivery.

Interest Rates. Bidders must stipulate an interest rate or rates in multiples of 1/8, 1/10 or 1/20 of 1%. Only one interest rate shall be permitted per Bond, and all Bonds of the same maturity shall bear the same rate, but ascending coupons are not required. There is no limit on the number of different interest rates. Interest rates may not exceed 5% per annum.

Submission of Bids. Each bid on the Official Bid Form shall be placed in a sealed envelope addressed to the District, and on the outside of the envelope, there shall appear a legend identifying the same as being a bid for the "Covington Independent School District General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025." No bid will be given consideration unless it is actually received or is in the process of telephonic transfer in the office of the District before the time set forth at the beginning of these Official Terms.

Notice is hereby given that electronic proposals will be received via BiDCOMP™/PARITY™, in the manner described below, until 11:00 a.m., E.S.T., on April 10, 2025. Bids may be submitted electronically via BiDCOMP™/PARITY™ pursuant to these Official Terms until 11:00 a.m., E.S.T., but no bid received after the time for receiving bids above. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in BiDCOMP™/PARITY™ conflict with these Official Terms, the terms of these Official Terms shall control. For further information about BiDCOMP™/PARITY™, potential bidders may contact the Independent Registered Municipal Advisor or BiDCOMP™/PARITY™ at 1359 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018, Telephone: (800) 850-7422.

Term Bond Option. The purchaser of the Bonds may specify to the District that any of the Bonds may be combined with immediately succeeding sequential maturities into a Term Bond or Term Bonds, bearing a single rate of interest, with the maturities set forth above (or as may be adjusted as provided herein) comprising mandatory sinking fund redemption amounts for such Term Bond(s).

Bond Insurance. If the successful bidder desires to obtain insurance guaranteeing the payment of the principal and/or interest on the Bonds, the District agrees that it will cooperate with the successful bidder in obtaining such insurance, but all of the expenses and charges in connection therewith shall be borne by such bidder and the District shall not be liable to any extent therefor.

DTC. The successful bidder may likewise elect to notify the Independent Registered Municipal Advisor within twenty-four hours of the award that standard bond certificates be issued. If no such election is made, the Bonds will be delivered using the book-entry only system administered by The Depository Trust Company.

Acceptance of Bid. The District will accept a bid or reject all bids on the date stated at the beginning of this Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale.

Right to Reject. The right to reject bids for any reason deemed advisable by the Board of Education of the District and the right to waive any possible informalities or irregularities in any bid which in the judgment of the District shall be minor or immaterial is expressly reserved.

Official Statement. The District will provide the successful purchaser with a Final Official Statement, in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended. The Final Official Statement will be provided in electronic form to the successful bidders, in sufficient time to meet the delivery requirements of the SEC and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. The successful bidders will be required to pay for the printing of Final Official Statements.

CUSIPS. CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds at the expense of the District. Improper imprintation or the failure to imprint CUSIP numbers shall not constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with the terms of any accepted proposal for the purchase of the Bonds.

Rights Reserved. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in any bid or, upon 24 hours advance notice before the sale date given through the BiDCOMP™/PARITY™ system, to postpone the sale date of the Bonds. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality in any bid. The Bonds are offered for sale subject to the principal and interest of the Bonds not being subject to federal income taxation nor being subject to Kentucky income taxation or Kentucky ad valorem taxation on the date of their delivery to the successful bidders, all in accordance with the final approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Covington, Kentucky, which opinion will be qualified in accordance with the section hereof entitled TAX TREATMENT.

Independent Registered Municipal Advisor. Bidders are advised that Compass Municipal Advisors, LLC, Lexington, Kentucky has been employed as an Independent Registered Municipal Advisor in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Its fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Bonds is contingent upon the issuance and delivery thereof.

Purchaser Certification. The winning bidder for the Bonds shall assist the District in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the District at Closing an “issue price” or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the public or the sales price or prices of the Bonds, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A-1 or Exhibit A-2, as applicable, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the winning bidder, the District and Bond Counsel. All actions to be taken by the District under these Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale to establish the issue price of the Bonds may be taken on behalf of the District by the District’s Independent Registered Municipal Advisor identified herein and any notice or report to be provided to the District shall be provided to the District’s Independent Registered Municipal Advisor.

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

- (1) the District shall disseminate these Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale to potential underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential underwriters;
- (2) all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid;

(3) the District may receive bids from at least three underwriters of municipal bonds who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal bonds; and

(4) the District anticipates awarding the Bonds to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Bonds at the lowest true interest cost, as set forth in these Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale.

Any bid submitted pursuant to these Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Bonds, as specified in the bid.

If the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, the District shall so advise the applicable winning bidder. The District will treat 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). Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the District 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.

If the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, the winning bidder for the Bonds shall assist the District in establishing the issue price of the Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the District at Closing an “issue price” or similar certificate setting forth the hold-the-offering-price rule as the issue price of that maturity, 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) substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A-2, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the winning bidder, the District, and Bond Counsel.

The District acknowledges that, in making the representations set forth above, the winning bidder will rely on (i) the agreement of each underwriter to comply with the 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 District 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.

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 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 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.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

In accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended (the “Rule”) the District will agree, pursuant to a Continuing Disclosure Undertaking to be dated as of the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds (the “Disclosure Undertaking”), to cause the following information to be provided:

(i) to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (“MSRB”), or any successor thereto for purposes of the Rule, through the continuing disclosure service portal provided by the MSRB’s Electronic Municipal Market Access (“EMMA”) system as described in 1934 Act Release No. 59062, or any similar system that is acceptable to the Securities and Exchange Commission, certain annual financial information and operating data, including audited financial statements and additional information consistent with the information contained under the following headings of Appendix [___] of the Official Statement - “Assessed Value of Property,” “Historical Tax Rates,” “Tax Collection History,” “Top Ten Taxpayers,” “Attendance,” and “SEEK Report.” The Annual Financial Information shall be provided on or before 270 days after the end of each fiscal year ending June 30, commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025; provided that the audited financial statements may not be available by such date, but will be made available immediately upon delivery thereof by the auditors for the District;

(ii) to the MSRB through EMMA, in a timely manner, not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event, notice of the occurrence of the following events with respect to the Bonds:

- (a) Principal and interest payment delinquencies;
- (b) Non-payment related defaults, if material;
- (c) Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
- (d) Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
- (e) Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
- (f) 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 status of the security, or other material events affecting the tax-exempt status of the security;
- (g) Modifications to rights of security holders, if material;

- (h) Bond calls, if material, and tender offers (except for mandatory scheduled redemptions not otherwise contingent upon the occurrence of an event);
- (i) Defeasances;
- (j) Release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the securities, if material;
- (k) Rating changes;
- (l) Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership, or similar event of the District (Note: For the purposes of this event, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: The appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the District in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the District);
- (m) The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the District or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the District, 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;
- (n) Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.
- (o) Incurrence of a material financial obligation by the District, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a financial obligation of the District, any of which affect security holders, if material; and
- (p) Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a financial obligation of the District, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

(iii) in a timely manner, to the MSRB through EMMA, notice of any failure (of which the District has knowledge) of the District to provide the required Annual Financial Information on or before the date specified in the Disclosure Undertaking.

The Disclosure Undertaking provides bondholders, including beneficial owners of the Bonds, with certain enforcement rights in the event of a failure by the District to comply with the terms thereof; however, a default under the Disclosure Undertaking does not constitute an event of default under the Bond

Resolution. The Disclosure Undertaking may be amended or terminated under certain circumstances in accordance with the Rule, as more fully described therein.

For purposes of this transaction with respect to events as set forth in the Rule:

- (a) there are no debt service reserve funds applicable to the Bonds;
- (b) [there are no credit enhancements applicable to the Bonds;]
- (c) there are no liquidity providers applicable to the Bonds; and
- (d) there is no property securing the repayment of the Bonds.

The District intends to file all future Annual Financial Information within the time requirements specified in the Disclosure Undertaking and has adopted policies and procedures to ensure the timely filing thereof including retaining Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, to serve as disclosure agent to the District. The District's policies and procedures are available to public upon request.

TAX TREATMENT

In the opinion of Bond Counsel for the Bonds, based upon an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings, and court decisions, interest on the Bonds will be excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and is not an item of tax preference for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax imposed on individuals. Further, Bond Counsel is of the opinion that interest on the Bonds is exempt from income taxation and that the Bonds are exempt from ad valorem taxation by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and any of its political subdivisions.

The District has designated the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265 of the Code.

A copy of the opinion of Bond Counsel for the Bonds is set forth in Appendix [___] to the Official Statement.

The Code imposes various restrictions, conditions, and requirements relating to the exclusion of interest on obligations such as the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. The District has covenanted to comply with certain restrictions designed to ensure that interest on the related issues of Bonds will not be includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. Failure to comply with these covenants could result in interest on the Bonds being includable in income for federal income tax purposes and such inclusion could be required retroactively to the date of issuance of the Bonds. The opinion of Bond Counsel assumes compliance with these covenants. However, Bond Counsel has not undertaken to determine (or to inform any person) whether any actions taken (or not taken) or events occurring (or not occurring) after the date of issuance of the Bonds may adversely affect the tax status of the interest on the Bonds.

Certain requirements and procedures contained or referred to in the Bond documents and any other relevant documents may be changed and certain actions (including, without limitation, defeasance of the Bonds) may be taken or omitted under the circumstances and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in such documents. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any Bonds or the interest thereon if any such change occurs or action is taken or omitted upon the advice or approval of bond counsel other than Dinsmore & Shohl LLP.

Although Bond Counsel is of the opinion that interest on the Bonds will be excludible from gross income for federal income tax purposes and that interest on the Bonds is excludible from gross income for Kentucky income tax purposes, the ownership or disposition of, or the accrual or receipt of interest on, the Bonds may otherwise affect a bondholder's federal, state, or local tax liabilities. The nature and extent of these other tax consequences may depend upon the particular tax status of the bondholder or the bondholder's other items of income or deduction. Bond Counsel expresses no opinions regarding any tax consequences other than what is set forth in its opinion and each bondholder or potential bondholder is urged to consult with tax counsel regarding the effects of purchasing, holding, or disposing the Bonds on the tax liabilities of the individual or entity.

Receipt of tax-exempt interest, ownership, or disposition of the Bonds may result in other collateral federal, state, or local tax consequences for certain taxpayers. Such effects may include, without limitation, (i) increasing the federal tax liability of certain foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax imposed by Section 884 of the Code, (ii) increasing the federal tax liability of certain insurance companies under Section 832 of the Code, (iii) increasing the federal tax liability and affecting the status of certain S Corporations subject to Sections 1362 and 1375 of the Code, (iv) increasing the federal tax liability of certain individual recipients of Social Security or the Railroad Retirement benefits under Section 86 of the Code, and (v) limiting the amount of the Earned Income Credit under Section 32 of the Code that might otherwise be available. Ownership of any of the Bonds may also result in the limitation of interest and certain other deductions for financial institutions and certain other taxpayers, pursuant to Section 265 of the Code. Finally, residence of the holder of the Bonds in a state other than Kentucky or being subject to tax in a state other than Kentucky may result in income or other tax liabilities being imposed by such states or their political subdivisions based on the interest or other income from the Bonds.

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT

By: _____

Chair

EXHIBIT A-1
TO
OFFICIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BOND SALE
FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

[In case of receipt of at least three qualified bids for the Bonds]

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

Dated May 1, 2025

Re: \$[Final Par] Covington Independent School District General Obligation Bonds,
Series 2025, dated May 1, 2025

The undersigned, on behalf of [Underwriter Name] (the “Underwriter”), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale and issuance of the above-captioned bonds (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 the Underwriter are the prices listed in Schedule I attached hereto (the “Expected Offering Prices”). The Expected Offering Prices are the prices for the Maturities of the Bonds used by the Underwriter in formulating its bid to purchase the Bonds. A true and correct copy of the bid provided by the Underwriter to purchase the Bonds is attached hereto as Schedule II.

(b) The Underwriter was not given the opportunity to review any other bids prior to submitting its bid.

(c) The bid submitted by the Underwriter constituted a firm offer to purchase the Bonds.

2. Yield on the Bonds. It computed the yield on the Bonds, [Yield]%, as that yield (determined on the basis of semiannual compounding) which, when used in computing the present worth of all payments of principal and interest to be made with respect to particular obligations, produces an amount equal to their purchase price, which, in the case of the Bonds, is the Expected Offering Prices, determined without taking into account issuance expenses and Underwriter’s discount.

3. Weighted Average Maturity. The weighted average maturity of the Bonds has been calculated to be [WAM] years. The weighted average maturity is the sum of the products of the respective Expected Offering Price of each Maturity and the number of years to maturity (determined separately for each Maturity and by taking into account mandatory redemptions), divided by the aggregate Expected Offering Prices of the Bonds as of the date hereof.

4. Defined Terms.

(a) “Issuer” means the Covington Independent School District.

(b) “Maturity” means any 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.

(c) “Public” means any person (including an individual, a trust, an estate, a partnership, a company, an association, or a corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term “related party,” for the purposes of this certificate, generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50% common ownership, directly or indirectly.

(d) “Sale Date” means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is April 10, 2025.

(e) “Underwriter” means (i) any person that agrees, under a written contract with the Issuer (or 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, under 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 contained in this certificate represents the Underwriter’s interpretation of any laws, including, specifically, Section 103 and Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations issued thereunder. The Underwriter understands that the information set forth in this certificate will be relied upon (i) by the Issuer with respect to certain representations set forth in the Federal Tax Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and (ii) by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP 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 any other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time in connection with the Bonds.

[UNDERWRITER NAME]

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

SCHEDULE I
TO
ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE
EXPECTED OFFERING PRICES
(See attachment)

SCHEDULE II
TO
ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

COPY OF BID

(See attachment)

EXHIBIT A-2
TO
OFFICIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BOND SALE
FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

[In case of receipt of less than three qualified bids for the Bonds]

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

Dated May 1, 2025

Re: \$[Final Par] Covington Independent School District General Obligation Bonds,
Series 2025, dated May 1, 2025

The undersigned, [Underwriter Name] (the “Transaction Underwriter”), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale of the above-captioned bonds (the “Bonds”).

1. Issue Price.

(a) 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 of the Bonds was sold to the Public is the respective price listed in Schedule I attached hereto (the “Sale Price,” as applicable to each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities).

(b) The Transaction Underwriter offered the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities to the Public for purchase at the respective initial offering prices listed in Schedule I attached hereto (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 II.

(c) As set forth in the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale, the Transaction Underwriter has agreed in writing that (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, it would neither offer nor sell any of the Bonds of such Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity (the “hold-the-offering-price rule”), and (ii) any selling group agreement shall contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any third-party distribution agreement shall contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the third-party distribution agreement, to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule. Under the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale or any selling group agreement or any third-party distribution agreement, no Underwriter (as defined herein) 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.

(d) The aggregate of the Sale Prices of the General Rule Maturities and the Initial Offering Prices of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities is \$[Issue Price] (the “Issue Price”).

2. Yield on the Bonds. It computed the yield on the Bonds, [Yield]%, as that yield (determined on the basis of semiannual compounding) which, when used in computing the present worth of all payments of principal and interest to be made with respect to particular obligations, produces an amount equal to their

purchase price, which, in the case of the Bonds, is the Issue Price, determined without taking into account issuance expenses and Underwriter's discount.

3. Weighted Average Maturity. The weighted average maturity of the Bonds has been calculated to be [WAM] years. The weighted average maturity is the sum of the products of the respective Sale Price of each Maturity and the number of years to maturity (determined separately for each Maturity and by taking into account mandatory redemptions), divided by the aggregate Sale Price of the Bonds as of the date hereof.

4. Defined Terms.

(a) "General Rule Maturities" means those Maturities of the Bonds listed as the "General Rule Maturities" in Schedule I attached hereto.

(b) "Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities" means those Maturities of the Bonds listed as the "Hold-the-Offering Price Maturities" in Schedule I attached hereto.

(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 following the Sale Date, or (ii) the date on which the Transaction Underwriter has sold at least 10% of such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity.

(d) "Issuer" means the Covington Independent School District.

(e) "Maturity" means any Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Any Bonds with different maturity dates, or any Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate Maturities.

(f) "Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale" means the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale prepared for distribution to potential bidders prior to the Sale Date of the Bonds.

(g) "Public" means any person (including an individual, a trust, an estate, a partnership, a company, an association, or a corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party," for the purposes of this certificate, generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50% common ownership, directly or indirectly.

(h) "Sale Date" means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is April 10, 2025.

(i) "Underwriter" means (i) any person that agrees, under a written contract with the Issuer (or 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, under 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 contained in this certificate represents the Transaction Underwriter's interpretation of any laws, including, specifically, Section 103 and Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the applicable Treasury Regulations issued thereunder. The Transaction Underwriter understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon (i) by the Issuer with respect to certain representations set forth in the Federal Tax Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and (ii) by Dinsmore & Shohl LLP 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 any other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time in connection with the Bonds. Except as expressly set forth above, the certifications set forth herein may not be relied upon or used by any third party or for any other purpose.

[TRANSACTION UNDERWRITER NAME]

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

SCHEDULE I
TO
ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

SALE PRICES OF THE GENERAL RULE MATURITIES AND
INITIAL OFFERING PRICES OF THE BONDS

General Rule Maturities

<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	Actual Sale Price of <u>First 10%</u>	<u>Issue Price</u>	<u>CUSIP</u>
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Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities

<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	Initial <u>Offering Price</u>	<u>Issue Price</u>	<u>CUSIP</u>
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SCHEDULE II
TO
ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

COPY OF PRICING WIRE

(See attachment)

APPENDIX I

**COVINGTON (KENTUCKY) INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2025**

OFFICIAL BID FORM

OFFICIAL BID FORM

COVINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2025

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Official Terms and Conditions of Bond Sale for \$6,720,000* of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025 (the “Bonds”), dated their date of initial issuance and delivery offered for sale by the Covington Independent School District (the “District”) in accordance with the Preliminary Official Statement dated April 3, 2025 and the Notice of Bond Sale, to all of which the undersigned agrees, the undersigned hereby submits the following offer to purchase the Bonds.

We hereby bid for the \$6,720,000* principal amount of the Bonds, the total sum of \$_____ (not less than \$6,585,600) at the following annual rate(s), payable semiannually (rates of any maturity may be less than any preceding maturity, number of interest rates unlimited):

<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount*</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount*</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
May 1, 2026	\$95,000	_____ %	May 1, 2036	\$310,000	_____ %
May 1, 2027	\$200,000	_____ %	May 1, 2037	\$320,000	_____ %
May 1, 2028	\$215,000	_____ %	May 1, 2038	\$360,000	_____ %
May 1, 2029	\$220,000	_____ %	May 1, 2039	\$375,000	_____ %
May 1, 2030	\$230,000	_____ %	May 1, 2040	\$390,000	_____ %
May 1, 2031	\$245,000	_____ %	May 1, 2041	\$400,000	_____ %
May 1, 2032	\$255,000	_____ %	May 1, 2042	\$420,000	_____ %
May 1, 2033	\$270,000	_____ %	May 1, 2043	\$590,000	_____ %
May 1, 2034	\$280,000	_____ %	May 1, 2044	\$615,000	_____ %
May 1, 2035	\$295,000	_____ %	May 1, 2045	\$635,000	_____ %

The Bonds maturing in the following years: _____ are sinking fund redemption amounts for term bonds due _____. The Bonds maturing in the following years: _____ are sinking fund redemption amounts for term bonds due _____.

Bids may be submitted electronically via BiDCOMP™/PARITY™ pursuant to this Notice until the appointed date and time, but no bid will be received after such time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, completed bid forms may be submitted until the appointed date and time (i) in a sealed envelope marked “Official Bid for Bonds” or (ii) by facsimile transmission, in each case delivered to the office of the District at 25 East 7th Street, Covington, Kentucky 41011. Neither the District nor the Independent Registered Municipal Advisor assumes any responsibility whatsoever with regard to the receipt of bids, or that adequate personnel and/or equipment are available to accept all facsimile transfers of bids before the appointed date and time of sale. Bidders have sole responsibility of assuring that their bids have been received via facsimile or delivered before the appointed date and time of sale. Any bids in progress by facsimile at the appointed time will be considered as received by the appointed time. No bids will be received via telephone.

* Preliminary, subject to change.

We understand this bid may be accepted with variations in maturing amounts at the same price per \$1,000 of Bonds, with the variation in such amount occurring in any maturity of all maturities, such variations to be determined by the District at the time of acceptance of the best bid.

It is understood that the District will furnish the final, approving legal opinion of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Bond Counsel, Covington, Kentucky.

No certified or bank cashier's check will be required to accompany the bid, but the successful bidder shall be required to wire transfer an amount equal to 2% of the principal amount of Bonds awarded by the close of business on the day following the award. The good faith amount will be applied (without interest) to the purchase price when the Bonds are tendered for delivery.

If we are the successful bidder, we agree to accept and make payment for the Bonds in federal funds within forty five days from the date of sale in accordance with the terms of the sale.

Respectfully submitted,

Bidder

Address

Signature

Total interest cost: Date of Delivery (estimated to be May 1, 2025) to	\$ _____
Final Maturity	
(Less Premium) or Plus Discount, if any	\$ _____
Aggregate interest cost	\$ _____
True interest cost (i.e. TIC)	_____ %

The above computation of true interest cost is submitted for information only and is not a part of this Bid.

Accepted by the Chair of the Board of Education of the Covington Independent School District for \$ _____ principal amount of Bonds at the price of \$ _____ as follows:

<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest</u> <u>Rate</u>
May 1, 2026	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2036	\$_____	_____%
May 1, 2027	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2037	\$_____	_____%
May 1, 2028	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2038	\$_____	_____%
May 1, 2029	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2039	\$_____	_____%
May 1, 2030	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2040	\$_____	_____%
May 1, 2031	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2041	\$_____	_____%
May 1, 2032	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2042	\$_____	_____%
May 1, 2033	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2043	\$_____	_____%
May 1, 2034	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2044	\$_____	_____%
May 1, 2035	\$_____	_____%	May 1, 2045	\$_____	_____%

Chair, Board of Education
Covington Independent School District

Dated: April 10, 2025