STATE OF ILLINOIS BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3

FINANCIAL AUDIT (In Accordance with the Uniform Guidance) For the year ended June 30, 2023

Performed as Special Assistant Auditors For the Auditor General, State of Illinois



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COMPLIANCE REPORT SUMMARY

The compliance audit testing performed in this audit was conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and in accordance with the Illinois State Auditing Act.

AUDITORS' REPORTS

The auditors' reports on compliance and internal controls do not contain scope limitations, disclaimers, or other significant non-standard language.

SUMMARY OF AUDIT FINDINGS

Number of	This Audit	Prior Audit
Audit findings	1	1
Repeated audit findings	-	-
Prior recommendations implemented		
or not repeated	1	-

Details of audit findings are presented in a separate report section.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Item No.	<u>Page</u>	<u>Description</u>	Finding Type
		FINDINGS (GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS)	
2023-001	13	Misreporting of an Administrative Fee	Material Weakness

FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (FEDERAL COMPLIANCE)

There were no findings for the year ended June 30, 2023.

PRIOR FINDINGS NOT REPEATED (GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS)

2022-001 16 Delay of Audit Noncompliance

PRIOR FINDINGS NOT REPEATED (FEDERAL COMPLIANCE)

There were no findings for the year ended June 30, 2022.

EXIT CONFERENCE

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 opted not to have a formal exit conference during the financial audit for the year ended June 30, 2023. Throughout the audit, numerous meetings were held between the auditors and Regional Office officials to discuss matters contained in this audit report. The response to the recommendation was provided by Ms. Julie Wollerman, Regional Superintendent on January 12, 2024.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT SUMMARY

The audit of the accompanying basic financial statements of the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3 was performed by West & Company, LLC.

Based on their audit, the auditors expressed an unmodified opinion on the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's basic financial statements.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Frank J. Mautino Auditor General State of Illinois

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, we have audited the cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying cash basis financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3, 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.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1, and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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.

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's basic financial statements. The cash basis combining schedules of accounts, the budgetary comparison schedules, the combining fund financial statements, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the cash basis combining schedules of accounts, the budgetary comparison schedules, the combining fund financial statements, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by the Uniform Guidance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole, on the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 13, 2024, on our consideration of the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Mattoon, Illinois March 13, 2024



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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

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Frank J. Mautino Auditor General State of Illinois

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, 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 cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's cash basis financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 13, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 cash basis financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as finding 2023-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Regional Office of Education No. 3's Response to the Finding

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's response to the finding identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's 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, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Frank J. Mautino Auditor General State of Illinois

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, we have audited compliance by the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3 with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2023. Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's major federal program is identified in the Summary of Auditors' Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3 complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on the Major Federal Program

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

We are required to be independent of Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3 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 audit opinion on compliance for the major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's federal program.

Auditors' 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 Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and, therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3's compliance with the requirements of the major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties Regional Office of Education No. 3'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 Auditors' 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.

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.

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BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS For the year ended June 30, 2023

Financial Statements in accordance with Cash Basis

Type of auditors' report issued:		UNMODI	FIED	_
Internal control over financial r	eporting:			
- Material weakness(es) io	dentified?	yes		no
- Significant deficiency(ie	es) identified?	yes	X	none reported
Noncompliance material to fina statements noted?	ncial	yes	X	no
Federal Awards				
Internal control over major fede	eral programs:			
- Material weakness(es) io	dentified?	yes	X	no
- Significant deficiency(ie	s) identified?	yes	X	none reported
Type of auditors' report issued of for major federal programs:	on compliance	UNMODI	FIED	_
Any audit findings disclosed that in accordance with 2 CFR 200.5		yes	X	no
Identification of major federal p	programs:			
Assistance Listing Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster	_		
84.196A	Education for Homeless Children and Y	Youth		
Dollar threshold used to disting between Type A and Type B p		\$750,000		
Auditee qualified as low-risk au	ditee?	yes	X	no

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS For the year ended June 30, 2023

FINDING NO. 2023-001 – Misreporting of an Administrative Fee

Criteria/Specific Requirement:

In June 2022, the Illinois Department of Revenue issued Informational Bulletin 2022-31:

Effective July 1, 2022, Public Act 102-1062 provides that one percent (1%) of the County School Facility Occupation Tax collected shall be distributed to the Regional Superintendents of Schools to cover the costs of administering and enforcing the provisions of the County School Facility Occupation Tax. To implement this legislation, the Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR) will retain its portion of the administrative fee, then distribute the remaining balance to the Regional Superintendents of Schools. The Regional Superintendents of Schools will then retain their portion before distributing the remainder to the school districts receiving the revenue.

Condition:

During review of the ROE's financial information, it was noted that the 1% administrative fee retained by the ROE was accounted for and reported in the same custodial fund as the taxes that were to be distributed to the school districts. Custodial funds account for amounts collected and distributed on behalf of another government or organization. Since the fee is revenue for the ROE itself, rather than held for a separate entity, it should have been reported in one of the funds that accounts for the ROE's revenue, such as the General Fund.

Effect:

Due to the amount of the fee, this misreporting caused the revenue in the ROE's General Fund to be materially understated.

Cause:

The Regional Office of Education #3 (ROE) did not realize that the activity from the 1% administrative fee from the County School Facility Occupation Tax retained by the ROE should not be recorded in the custodial fund, with the related tax.

Auditors' Recommendation:

When the ROE receives new funding, such as an administrative fee, it should evaluate the source and allowed use of such funds to determine how to properly report the funding in the financial statements.

Management's Response:

The ROE will record the local receipts and related disbursements of the 1% administrative fee from the County School Facility Occupation Tax retained by the ROE in the General Fund in the future.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS For the year ended June 30, 2023

Instances	of Noncompl	liance:
None		

Significant Deficiencies:

None

Material Weaknesses:

None

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR CURRENT YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS For the year ended June 30, 2023

Corrective Action Plan

FINDING NO. 2023-001 - Misreporting of an Administrative Fee

Condition:

During review of the ROE's financial information, it was noted that the 1% administrative fee retained by the ROE was accounted for and reported in the same custodial fund as the taxes that were to be distributed to the school districts. Custodial funds account for amounts collected and distributed on behalf of another government or organization. Since the fee is revenue for the ROE itself, rather than held for a separate entity, it should have been reported in one of the funds that accounts for the ROE's revenue, such as the General Fund.

Plan:

Regional Office of Education #3 management has reclassified the 1% administrative fee activity in FY24 thus far from the custodial fund to the General Fund. Going forward, the activity will be recorded in the General Fund.

Anticipated Date of Completion:

January 31, 2024

Name of Contact Person:

Ms. Julie Wollerman, Regional Superintendent

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS NOT REPEATED For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

2022-001 Delay of Audit Not Repeated

During the current audit, the Regional Office of Education No. 3 was able to provide the financial statements and all necessary workpapers prior to the August 31st deadline.



BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND NET POSITION - CASH BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

										ments) Rece		nd
				Program Ca								
				_		Operating				y Governme	nt	
		Cash		harges for		Grants and	G	overnmental		iness-Type		
Function/Programs	Dis	bursements		Services	C	ontributions		Activities		ctivities		Total
Primary Government:												
Governmental Activities:												
Instructional Services:	Φ.	2 2 4 1 2 2 2	Φ.			1 100 221		(1.041.051)	•		•	(1.041.051)
Salaries and benefits	\$	2,241,082	\$	-	\$	1,199,231	\$	(1,041,851)	\$	-	\$	(1,041,851)
Purchased services		755,606		-		373,836		(381,770)		-		(381,770)
Supplies and materials		210,052		-		140,837		(69,215)		-		(69,215)
Intergovernmental:		264.001				264.001						
Payments to other governments		364,091		-		364,091		(2(021)		-		(2(021)
Capital outlay		70,033				43,202		(26,831)				(26,831)
Total Governmental Activities		3,640,864				2,121,197		(1,519,667)				(1,519,667)
Business-Type Activities:		101 206		170.001						(2.205)		(2.205)
Operating		181,386		179,081						(2,305)		(2,305)
Total Business-Type Activities		181,386		179,081				-		(2,305)	_	(2,305)
Total Primary Government	\$	3,822,250	\$	179,081	\$	2,121,197		(1,519,667)		(2,305)		(1,521,972)
	General	Receipts										
		l sources						488,201		_		488,201
		sources						1,262,046		_		1,262,046
	Inves	tment income						47,846		-		47,846
	To	tal General Recei	pts					1,798,093				1,798,093
	Change	in Net Position						278,426		(2,305)		276,121
	Net Pos	ition - Beginning	of Yea	r				1,587,998		657,382		2,245,380
	Net Pos	ition - End of Yea	r				\$	1,866,424	\$	655,077	\$	2,521,501
Assessed												
Assets Current Assets:												
Cash and cash equivalents							\$	1,866,424	\$	655,077	\$	2,521,501
*												
Total Assets							\$	1,866,424	\$	655,077	\$	2,521,501
Net Position												
Restricted												
Education programs							\$	82,263	\$	-	\$	82,263
Teacher training and meetings								197,502		-		197,502
GED testing								56,787		-		56,787
Bus driver training								37,159		-		37,159
Unrestricted								1,492,713		655,077		2,147,790
Total Net Position							\$	1,866,424	\$	655,077	\$	2,521,501

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

STATEMENT OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES AND CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

State sources 1,211,745 1,334,085 - 1,522 2, Federal sources - 835,891 - - - - 1 Interest 47,846 -	otal nmental nds
State sources 1,211,745 1,334,085 - 1,522 2, Federal sources - 835,891 - - - Interest 47,846 - - - - Total Receipts 1,669,889 2,177,239 56,029 16,133 3,9 Disbursements Instructional services: Salaries and benefits 1,028,031 1,199,231 13,820 - 2,7 Purchased services 274,442 453,434 15,612 12,118 Supplies and materials 64,560 145,483 - 9	
Federal sources - 835,891 -	488,201
Interest 47,846 - <	547,352
Total Receipts 1,669,889 2,177,239 56,029 16,133 3,9 Disbursements Instructional services: Salaries and benefits 1,028,031 1,199,231 13,820 - 2,7 Purchased services 274,442 453,434 15,612 12,118 Supplies and materials 64,560 145,483 - 9	335,891
Disbursements Instructional services: Salaries and benefits 1,028,031 1,199,231 13,820 - 2,7 Purchased services 274,442 453,434 15,612 12,118 Supplies and materials 64,560 145,483 - 9	47,846
Instructional services: Salaries and benefits 1,028,031 1,199,231 13,820 - 2,5 Purchased services 274,442 453,434 15,612 12,118 Supplies and materials 64,560 145,483 - 9	919,290
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Purchased services 274,442 453,434 15,612 12,118 Supplies and materials 64,560 145,483 - 9	
Supplies and materials 64,560 145,483 - 9	241,082
	755,606
•	210,052
Intergovernmental:	
Payments to other governments - 364,091	364,091
Capital outlay 26,831 43,202	70,033
Total Disbursements 1,393,864 2,205,441 29,432 12,127 3,	640,864
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts	
Over Disbursements 276,025 (28,202) 26,597 4,006	278,426
Cash Basis Fund Balance, Beginning of Year 1,423,081 (95,928) 170,905 89,940 1,	587,998
Cash Basis Fund Balance, End of Year \$ 1,699,106 \ \$ (124,130) \ \$ 197,502 \ \$ 93,946 \ \$ 1,699,106	866,424
Cash Basis Assets - End of Year	
	866,424
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year Restricted	
Education programs \$ - \$ 82,263 \$ - \$ - \$	82,263
Teacher training and meetings - 197,502 -	197,502
GED testing 56,787	56,787
Bus driver training 37,159	37,159
Assigned	
Truant and Safe School operations 1,465,219 1,465,219	465,219
Unassigned 233,887 (206,393)	27,494
Total Cash Basis Fund Balance \$ 1,699,106 \$ (124,130) \$ 197,502 \$ 93,946 \$ 1,500	866,424

STATEMENT OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND NET POSITION AND CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND

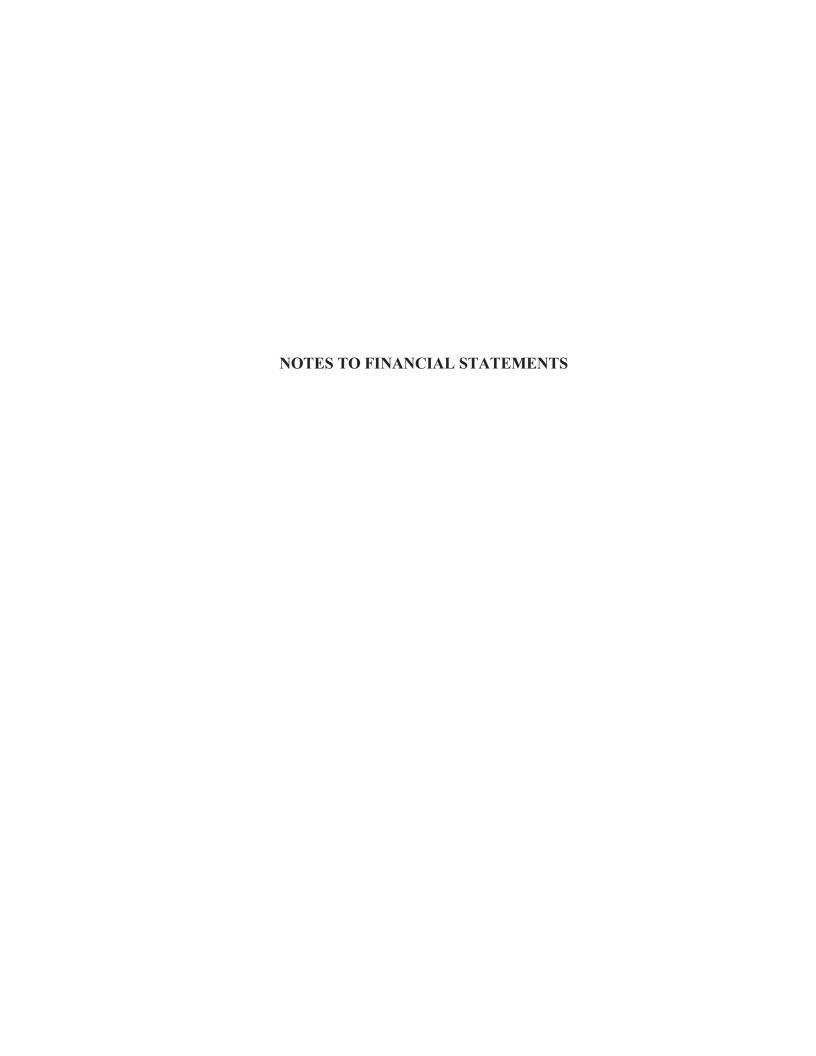
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Ad	Business - Type Activities - Enterprise Funds			
	V	Vorkshops			
Operating Receipts					
Charges for services	\$	179,081			
Total Operating Receipts		179,081			
Operating Disbursements					
Salaries and benefits		97,959			
Purchased services		59,826			
Supplies and materials		18,650			
Other objects		4,102			
Capital outlay		849			
Total Operating Disbursements		181,386			
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts					
Over Disbursements		(2,305)			
Net Position, Beginning of Year		657,382			
Net Position, End of Year	\$	655,077			
Net Position					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	655,077			
Cash Basis Net Position - End of Year					
Unrestricted	\$	655,077			

STATEMENT OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FIDUCIARY NET POSITION AND CASH ADDITIONS, DEDUCTIONS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Custodial
	Funds	
	Scl	hool Facility
	Occ	cupation Tax
Additions:		
County facility tax collected for other governments	\$	10,215,474
Total Additions		10,215,474
Deductions: County facility tax distributed to other governments Total Deductions		10,215,474 10,215,474
Change in Net Position		-
Net Position - Beginning of Year		-
Net Position - End of Year	\$	
Cash Basis Assets - End of Year	\$	-
Cash Basis Net Position - End of Year	\$	<u> </u>



BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies and presentation of the basic financial statements of the Regional Office of Education No. 3 have been prepared in conformity with the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), as applicable to governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

A. FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 was created by Illinois Public Act 76-735, as amended, effective August 8, 1995.

The Regional Office operates under the School Code (Articles 5/3 and 5/3A of *Illinois Compiled Statutes*, Chapter 105). The Regional Office of Education No. 3 encompasses Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties. The Regional Superintendent of Schools (Regional Superintendent) serves as chief administrative officer of the Regional Office of Education No. 3 and is elected pursuant to Article 3, *Illinois Compiled Statutes*, Chapter 105.

The Regional Superintendent is charged with responsibility for township fund lands; registration of the names of applicants for scholarships to State controlled universities; examinations and related duties; visitation of public schools; direction of teachers and school officers; to serve as the official advisor and assistant of school officers and teachers; to conduct teachers institutes as well as to aid and encourage the formation of other teachers' meetings and assist in their management; to evaluate the schools in the region; to examine evidence of indebtedness; to file and keep the returns of elections required to be returned to the Regional Superintendent's office; and to file and keep the reports and statements returned by school treasurers and trustees.

The Regional Superintendent is also charged with the responsibilities of conducting a special census, when required; providing notice of money distributed to treasurers, board presidents, clerks, and secretaries of the school districts on or before each September 30; maintenance of a map and numbering of the Regional Office of Education No. 3's districts; providing township treasurers with a list of district treasurers; inspecting and approving building plans which comply with State law; performing and reporting on annual building inspections; investigating bus drivers for valid bus driver permits and taking related action as may be required; maintaining a list of unfilled teaching positions and to carry out other related duties required or permitted by law.

The Regional Superintendent is responsible for inspection and approval or rejection of school treasurer's bonds. The Regional Superintendent is also required to provide the State Board of Education with an affidavit showing that the treasurers of school districts under her control are properly bonded.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

A. FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY (Concluded)

The Regional Superintendent is also responsible for apportionment and payment of funds received from the State for the districts in the Regional Office of Education No. 3 region, or see that no payments are made unless the treasurer has filed or renewed appropriate bond and that the district has certified publication of the annual financial report. The Regional Superintendent is required to provide opinions and advice related to controversies under school law.

For the period ended June 30, 2023, the Regional Office of Education No. 3 applied for, received, and administered several State and federal programs and grants in assistance and support of the educational activities of the school districts in Bond, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, and Montgomery Counties. Such activities are reported as a single special revenue fund (i.e. within the Education Fund).

As discussed further in the "Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting" section of this note, these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are appliable to the cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the ROE's accounting policies.

B. SCOPE OF THE REPORTING ENTITY

The Regional Office of Education No. 3's reporting entity includes all related organizations for which they exercise oversight responsibility.

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 has developed criteria to determine whether outside agencies with activities which benefit the citizens of the Regional Office of Education No. 3, including districts or joint agreements which serve pupils from numerous regions, should be included in its financial reporting entity. The criteria include, but are not limited to, whether the Regional Office of Education No. 3 exercises oversight responsibility (which includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters), scope of public service, and special financing relationships.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. SCOPE OF THE REPORTING ENTITY (Concluded)

The districts and joint agreements have been determined not to be a part of the reporting entity after applying the manifesting of oversight, scope of public service, and special financing relationships criteria and are therefore excluded from the accompanying financial statements because the Regional Office of Education No. 3 does not control the assets, operations, or management of the districts or joint agreements. In addition, the Regional Office of Education No. 3 is not aware of any entity, which would exercise such oversight as to result in the Regional Office of Education No. 3 being considered a component unit of the entity.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide financial statement (i.e. Statement of Activities and Net Position – Cash Basis) reports information on all of the Regional Office of Education No. 3's activities. Governmental activities include programs supported primarily by State and federal grants and other intergovernmental receipts. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 has one business-type activity that relies on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Activities and Net Position – Cash Basis presents a summary of governmental and business-type activities' cash receipts and disbursements for the Regional Office of Education No. 3 accompanied by a total column. This statement is presented on the cash basis of accounting. The Statement of Activities and Net Position – Cash Basis does not present financial position and results of operations in accordance with GAAP. The Statement of Activities and Net Position – Cash Basis demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include 1) charges for services and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds. These financial statements are also presented on the cash basis of accounting. Major individual governmental and proprietary funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and reported in a single column.

Certain eliminations have been made as prescribed by governmental accounting standards in regards to interfund activities, such as transfers. Subsidies 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 after nonoperating receipts/disbursements in proprietary funds.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Concluded)

All internal transfers in the Statement of Activities and Net Position - Cash Basis have been eliminated except those representing balances between the governmental activities and the business-type activities.

The purpose of interfund transfers is to cover temporary or permanent short falls in cash flow within grant programs and funds.

D. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The government-wide Statement of Activities and Net Position - Cash Basis and the fund financial statements are presented using a cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting recognizes receipts and disbursements when they result from cash transactions. In addition, the government-wide statements expense disbursements for capital assets and present debt proceeds as receipts. Non-cash transaction are not reported in the financial statements. This basis is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements. In addition, capital assets, the post-employment liabilities and related expenses, deferred inflows and deferred outflows, if applicable, are not recorded in these financial statements.

Under the terms of grant agreements, Regional Office of Education No. 3 funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general receipts. Thus, when program disbursements are paid, there are both restricted and unrestricted cash basis net position available to finance the program. It is Regional Office of Education No. 3's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs and then general receipts.

When a reimbursement in governmental funds can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the Regional Office of Education No. 3's policy is generally to first apply the disbursement toward restricted fund balance and then to unrestricted classification, in the order of committed, assigned, and then unassigned fund balances.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. GOVERNMENTAL FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The governmental fund financial statement includes a Statement of Cash Basis Assets and Fund Balances and Cash Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Basis Fund Balances for all major governmental funds and nonmajor funds aggregated.

The governmental fund financial statement has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting. It presents sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measurement of available spendable financial resources at the end of the period.

F. PROPRIETARY FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The proprietary fund financial statement includes a Statement of Cash Basis Assets and Net Position and Cash Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Basis Net Position for the major proprietary fund.

The proprietary fund is accounted for using the cash basis of accounting. The Statement of Cash Basis Assets and Net Position and Cash Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Basis Net Position presents increases (receipts) and decreases (disbursements) in total net position. Under the cash basis of accounting, receipts are recognized in the period in which they are received while disbursements are recognized in the period in which they are disbursed.

Operating receipts in the proprietary funds are those receipts that are generated from the primary operations of the fund. All other receipts are reported as non-operating receipts. Operating disbursements are those disbursements that are essential to the primary operations of the fund. All other disbursements are reported as non-operating disbursements.

G. FUND ACCOUNTING

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 uses governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

G. FUND ACCOUNTING (Continued)

As prescribed by GASB Statement No. 34, governmental and proprietary fund reporting focuses on the major funds, rather than on the fund type. There is a two-step process for determining if a fund should be reported as a major fund: (1) total assets, receipts, or disbursements (excluding extraordinary items) of an individual fund are at least 10% of the corresponding total for the fund type, and (2) total assets, receipts, or disbursements (excluding extraordinary items) of an individual fund are at least 5% of the corresponding total for the total of all governmental and proprietary funds combined. Funds that do not meet the major fund determination requirements are reported in aggregate as nonmajor funds. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 has presented all major funds that met the above qualifications.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Regional Office of Education No. 3 are typically reported. Governmental funds reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources using the cash basis of accounting. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purpose for which they may or must be used.

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Regional Office of Education No. 3. It is used to account for resources traditionally associated with government which are not required, legally or by sound financial management, to be accounted and reported for in another fund. The General Fund is always considered a major fund.

The following accounts are included in the General Fund:

<u>General</u> - This account provides funding to pay for disbursements in order to operate the Regional Office of Education No. 3.

<u>County</u> - Used to account for monies received for, and payment of, disbursements in connection with general administration activities. The sources of these monies is from the five county boards for which the Regional Office serves.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

G. FUND ACCOUNTING (Continued)

General Funds (Concluded)

<u>EIU</u> - This program provides the opportunity for teachers and administrators to earn graduate credit through participation in weekend classes in programs leading to advanced degrees. Programs currently offered include a Master's Degree in Guidance and Counseling and a Master's or Specialist Degree in School Administration from Eastern Illinois University.

<u>Attendance Officer</u> - This program provides funding for a truant officer which is utilized to pay for related truancy expenses.

<u>Truants Alternative/Optional Education (EBF)</u> - To account for Evidence-Based-Funding received to support the Truants Alternative/Optional Education Program.

<u>Regional Safe Schools Program (EBF)</u> - To account for Evidence-Based-Funding received to support the Regional Safe Schools programs.

<u>Tuition</u> - To account for tuition payments from local districts sending students to alternative education programs provided by the Regional Office of Education No. 3.

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific receipt sources that are restricted to disbursements for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

Major special revenue funds include the following:

<u>Education Fund</u> – This fund is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted by grant agreements or contracts to disbursements for specified purposes supporting education enhancement programs as follows:

<u>Alternative Education Programs - Other - To account for local, state, and federal monies used to provide breakfast and lunch for the students enrolled in the alternative schools.</u>

<u>American Rescue Plan (ARP) - McKinney Vento Homeless Grant</u> - This program facilitates the identification, enrollment, retention, and educational success of homeless children and youth in response to the impact of COVID-19.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

G. FUND ACCOUNTING (Continued)

Special Revenue Funds (Concluded)

<u>Early Childhood Block Grant</u> - This program is intended to implement and administer prevention initiative projects to reduce school failure by coordinating and expanding health, social, and/or child development services to at-risk children under the age of three and their families.

<u>Elementary and Secondary Relief - Digital Equity Formula Grant</u> - This program assists school districts in closing the digital divide and enabling digital-age teaching and learning.

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant - This program provides emergency relief funds to educational agencies to address the impact that Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 has had and continues to have on elementary and secondary schools across the nation.

<u>McKinney Education for Homeless Children</u> - This program provides training and technical assistance to school districts in the 16 counties to assist school officials in understanding and complying with the McKinney-Vento Act.

<u>Regional Safe Schools</u> - This program provides funding for an alternative school program for disruptive youth in grades 6-9 who have been removed from the regular school setting due to continuous disruptions in the classroom.

<u>ROE/ISC Operations</u> - This program accounts for comprehensive services to improve education in the Region in the areas of gifted, staff development, administrator academies, school improvement, and technology.

<u>Truants Alternative/Optional Education</u> - This program provides funding for services designed to prevent students from dropping out of school.

<u>Institute Fund</u> – This fund accounts for teacher license registration, issuance and evaluation fees for processing licenses, and disbursements for meetings of a professional nature. All funds generated remain restricted until disbursed only on the aforementioned activities.

Additionally, the Regional Office of Education No. 3 reports the following nonmajor governmental funds:

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

G. FUND ACCOUNTING (Concluded)

Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds

<u>General Education Development</u> – This fund accounts for the cash receipts and disbursements pertaining to the G.E.D./High School Equivalency program for high school dropouts.

<u>Bus Driver Training</u> – This fund accounts for State and local cash receipts and disbursements as a result of training school district bus drivers.

Proprietary Funds

Proprietary funds are those for which receipts and disbursements related to services provided to organizations inside the Region on a cost-reimbursement basis are reported. The major proprietary fund is as follows:

<u>Workshops</u> - This fund is used to account for the various fees charged for local workshops that provide professional development to area educators.

Fiduciary Funds

Custodial funds

Custodial funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in another fiduciary fund type. The Regional Office's custodial fund accounts for amounts collected and distributed on behalf of another government or organization. The custodial fund is as follows:

<u>School Facility Occupation Tax</u> - This fund accounts for the assets held by the Regional Office of Education No. 3 to be distributed to local school districts. Monies received from the State Comptroller for the School Facilities Occupation Tax are forwarded directly to the school districts.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

H. GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS

Fund Balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the Regional Office is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The following classifications are as follows:

<u>Nonspendable Fund Balance</u> - the portion of a Governmental Fund's fund balance that is not available to be spent, either short term or long term in either form or through legal restrictions. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 has no nonspendable fund balances.

<u>Restricted Fund Balance</u> - the portion of a Governmental Fund's fund balance that is subject to external enforceable legal restrictions. The following fund balances are restricted by grant agreement or contract: Alternative Education Programs — Other, Regional Safe Schools, ROE/ISC Operations, and Truants Alternative/Optional Education. The following fund balances are restricted by Illinois Statute: Institute Fund, General Education Development, and Bus Driver Training.

<u>Committed Fund Balance</u> - the portion of a Governmental Fund's fund balance with self-imposed constraints or limitations that have been placed at the highest level of decision making. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 has no committed fund balances.

<u>Assigned Fund Balance</u> - the portion of a Governmental Fund's fund balance to denote an intended use of resources. The accounts presented with assigned fund balances are specified for a particular purpose by the Regional Superintendent. The following fund balances are assigned: Attendance Officer, Truants Alternative/Optional Education EBF, Regional Safe Schools Program EBF, and Tuition.

<u>Unassigned Fund Balance</u> - available expendable financial resources in a governmental fund that are not designated for a specific purpose. The following fund balances are unassigned: General, County, EIU, American Rescue Plan (ARP) - McKinney Vento Homeless Grant, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant, and McKinney Education for Homeless Children.

I. NET POSITION - CASH BASIS

The Statement of Activities and Net Position - Cash Basis presents the Regional Office's nonfiduciary net position. Net position is reported in the following categories/components:

<u>Restricted Net Position</u> - results when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

I. NET POSITION - CASH BASIS (Concluded)

<u>Unrestricted Net Position</u> - consists of cash and cash equivalents balances not meeting the definition of the preceding category. Unrestricted net position is often subject to constraints imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

J. BUDGET INFORMATION

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 acts as the administrative agent for certain grant programs that are accounted for in the Education Fund. Certain programs have separate budgets and are required to report to the Illinois State Board of Education or other granting authority; however, none of the annual budgets have been legally adopted, nor are they required to do so. These budgets are based on the award period. Budgets are not presented for prior year programs with timing differences related to presentation on the cash basis of accounting. Certain programs within the Education Fund do not have separate budgets.

Comparisons of budgeted and actual results for the following programs are presented as supplementary information: American Rescue Plan (ARP) - McKinney Vento Homeless Grant, Early Childhood Block Grant, Elementary and Secondary Relief - Digital Equity Formula Grant, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant, McKinney Education for Homeless Children, Regional Safe Schools, ROE/ISC Operations, and Truants Alternative/Optional Education.

K. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 considers cash on hand, checking accounts, savings accounts, and investments held with an original maturity date of 90 days or less to be cash and cash equivalents. State regulations require that Regional Office of Education No. 3 deposit funds under its control into accounts insured by the federal governments, accounts secured by substantial collateral, or pooled investment trusts. All funds not needed for immediate disbursement are maintained in interest bearing accounts.

Statutes authorize the Regional Office of Education No. 3 to make deposits or invest in obligations of states and their political subdivisions, savings accounts, credit union shares, repurchase agreements, commercial paper rated within the three highest classifications by at least two standard rating services, and The Illinois Fund.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Concluded)

L. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 has reviewed the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements that became effective for fiscal year June 30, 2023 and has determined that none of the new Statements were applicable or had a material impact on the Regional Office's financial statements.

M. DATE OF MANAGEMENT'S REVIEW

Management has evaluated subsequent events through March 13, 2024 the date when the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 does not have a formal investment policy. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 is allowed to invest in securities as authorized by 30 ILCS-235/2 and 6 and 105 ILCS-5/8-7.

A. DEPOSITS

At June 30, 2023, the carrying amount of the Regional Office of Education No. 3's government-wide deposits were \$2,521,501, and the bank balances were \$3,480,364. Of the total bank balances as of June 30, 2023, \$301,813 was secured by federal depository insurance and \$3,178,551 was collateralized by securities pledged by the Regional Office of Education No. 3's financial institution in the name of the Regional Office.

CUSTODIAL CREDIT RISK

Custodial credit risk for deposits with financial institutions is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the Regional Office's deposits may not be returned to it. To guard against custodial credit risk for deposits with financial institutions, the Regional Office's policy requires that deposits with financial institutions in excess of FDIC limits be secured by some form of collateral, by a written agreement, and held at an independent, third-party institution in the name of the Regional Office of Education No. 3.

NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Concluded)

B. INVESTMENTS

The Regional Office of Education No. 3's only investments are internally pooled in The Illinois Funds. As of June 30, 2023, the Regional Office of Education No. 3 had investments with carrying and fair value of \$0 invested in The Illinois Funds.

The bank balance invested in The Illinois Funds was \$653. These deposits are included in cash and cash equivalents in the Regional Office of Education No. 3's governmental activities.

CREDIT RISK

At June 30, 2023, The Illinois Funds had a Fitch AAAmmf rating. The pool is audited annually by an outside independent auditor and copies of the report are distributed to participants. Although not subject to direct regulatory oversight, the fund is administered by the Illinois State Treasurer in accordance with the provision of the Illinois Public Funds Investment Act, 30 ILCS 235. All investments are fully collateralized.

CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

According to The Illinois Funds' investment policy, "the majority of The Illinois Funds' investments will be in direct obligation of the United States Treasury and United States Government Agencies and Instrumentalities and cash equivalents." The Illinois Funds' investment portfolio shall limit investments to a maximum of 10% of assets invested in short-term obligations of any one corporation or limited liability company, 10% of assets invested in long-term obligations of any one corporation of limited liability company, and 3% of assets invested in any single issuer of municipal securities issued by counties or municipal corporations of the State of Illinois, among other investment portfolio limitations.

INTEREST RATE RISK

The Illinois Funds, created by the Illinois General Assembly, enables custodians of public funds an investment option with a competitive rate of return on fully collateralized investments and immediate access to the funds. The investment policy of The Illinois Funds states that, unless authorized specifically by the Treasurer, a minimum of 75% of its investments shall have less than one-year maturity and no investment shall exceed two years maturity.

NOTE 3 – RETIREMENT FUND COMMITMENTS

A. Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF)

IMRF - Plan Description

The Regional Office's defined benefit pension plan for regular employees provides retirement and disability benefits, post-retirement increases, and death benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries. The Regional Office's plan is managed by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF), the administrator of an agent multiple employer public pension fund. A summary of IMRF's pension benefits is provided in the "Benefits Provided" section of this note. Details of all benefits are available from IMRF. Benefit provisions are established by statute and may only be changed by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois. IMRF issues a publicly available Annual Comprehensive Financial Report that includes financial statements, detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position, and required supplementary information. The report is available for download at www.imrf.org.

Benefits Provided

IMRF has three benefit plans. The vast majority of IMRF members participate in the Regular Plan (RP). The Sheriff's Law Enforcement Personnel (SLEP) plan is for sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and selected police chiefs. Counties could adopt the Elected County Official (ECO) plan for officials elected prior to August 8, 2011 (the ECO plan was closed to new participants after that date).

All three IMRF benefit plans have two tiers. Employees hired *before* January 1, 2011, are eligible for Tier 1 benefits. Tier 1 employees are vested for pension benefits when they have at least eight years of qualifying service credit. Tier 1 employees who retire at age 55 (at reduced benefits) or after age 60 (at full benefits) with eight years of service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 1-2/3% of the final rate of earnings for the first 15 years of service credit, plus 2% for each year of service credit after 15 years to a maximum of 75% of their final rate of earnings. Final rate of earnings is the highest total earnings during any consecutive 48 months within the last 10 years of service, divided by 48. Under Tier 1, the pension is increased by 3% of the original amount on January 1 every year after retirement.

Employees hired *on or after* January 1, 2011, are eligible for Tier 2 benefits. For Tier 2 employees, pension benefits vest after ten years of service. Participating employees who retire at age 62 (at reduced benefits) or after age 67 (at full benefits) with ten years of service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 1-2/3% of the final rate of earnings for the first 15 years of service credit, plus 2% for each year of service credit after 15 years to a maximum of 75% of their final rate of earnings. Final rate of earnings is the highest total earnings during any 96 consecutive months within the last 10 years of service, divided by 96. Under Tier 2, the pension is increased on January 1 every year after retirement, upon reaching age 67, by the lesser of:

NOTE 3 – RETIREMENT FUND COMMITMENTS (Continued)

A. Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) (Concluded)

Benefits Provided (Concluded)

- 3% of the original pension amount, or
- 1/2 of the increase in the Consumer Price Index of the original pension amount.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms

As of December 31, 2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	33
Inactive plan members entitled to buy not yet receiving benefits	31
Active plan members	<u>28</u>
Total	<u>92</u>

Contributions

As set by statute, the Regional Office of Education No. 3's Regular Plan Members are required to contribute 4.5% of their annual covered salary. The statute requires employers to contribute the amount necessary, in addition to member contributions, to finance the retirement coverage of its own employees. The Regional Office of Education No. 3's annual contribution rate for calendar year 2023 and 2022 was 3.56% and 8.36%, respectively. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the Regional Office of Education No. 3 contributed \$59,384 to the plan. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 also contributes for disability benefits, death benefits, and supplemental retirement benefits, all of which are pooled at the IMRF level.

Contribution rates for disability and death benefits are set by IMRF's Board of Trustees, while the supplemental retirement benefits rate is set by statute.

Because of the use of the cash basis of accounting framework in the preparation of these financial statements, the Regional Office's net pension liability is not reported in the financial statements as a liability. In accordance with the cash basis of accounting, pension expenditures are only reported when contributions are paid by the Regional Office to the plan.

B. Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois (TRS)

Plan Description

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 participates in the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois (TRS). TRS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that was created by the Illinois legislature for the benefit of Illinois public school teachers employed outside the city of Chicago. TRS members include all active non-annuitants who are employed by a TRS-covered employer to provide services for which teacher licensure is required. The Illinois Pension Code outlines the benefit provisions of TRS, and amendments to the plan can be made only by legislative action with the Governor's approval. The TRS Board of Trustees is responsible for the System's administration.

NOTE 3 – RETIREMENT FUND COMMITMENTS (Continued)

B. Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois (TRS) (Continued)

TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at http://www.trsil.org/financial/acfrs/fy2022; by writing to TRS at 2815 W. Washington, PO Box 19253, Springfield, IL 62794; or by calling 888-678-3675, option 2.

Benefits Provided

TRS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Tier 1 members have TRS or reciprocal system service prior to January 1, 2011. Tier 1 members qualify for retirement benefits at age 62 with five years of service, at age 60 with 10 years, or age 55 with 20 years. The benefit is determined by the average of the four highest consecutive years of creditable earnings within the last 10 years of creditable service and the percentage of average salary to which the member is entitled. Most members retire under a formula that provides 2.2 percent of final average salary up to a maximum of 75 percent with 34 years of service.

Tier 2 members qualify for retirement benefits at age 67 with 10 years of service, or a discounted annuity can be paid at age 62 with 10 years of service. Creditable earnings for retirement purposes are capped and the final average salary is based on the highest consecutive eight years of creditable service rather than the highest four. Disability provisions for Tier 2 are identical to those of Tier 1. Death benefits are payable under a formula that is different from Tier 1.

Essentially all Tier 1 retirees receive an annual 3 percent increase in the current retirement benefit beginning January 1 following the attainment of age 61 or on January 1 following the member's first anniversary in retirement, whichever is later. Tier 2 annual increases will be the lesser of three percent of the original benefit or one-half percent of the rate of inflation beginning January 1 following attainment of age 67 or on January 1 following the member's first anniversary in retirement, whichever is later.

Public Act 100-0023, enacted in 2017, creates an optional Tier 3 hybrid retirement plan, but it has not yet gone into effect. Public Act 100-0587, enacted in 2018, requires TRS to offer two temporary benefit buyout programs that expire on June 30, 2026. One program allows retiring Tier 1 members to receive a partial lump-sum payment in exchange for accepting a lower, delayed annual increase. The other allows inactive vested Tier 1 and 2 members to receive a partial lump-sum payment in lieu of a retirement annuity. Both programs began in 2019 and are funded by bonds issued by the State of Illinois.

Contributions

The State of Illinois maintains the primary responsibility for funding TRS. The Illinois Pension Code, as amended by Public Act 88-0593 and subsequent acts, provides that for years 2010 through 2045, the minimum contribution to the System for each fiscal year shall be an amount determined to be sufficient to bring the total assets of the System up to 90 percent of the total actuarial liabilities of the System by the end of fiscal year 2045.

NOTE 3 – RETIREMENT FUND COMMITMENTS (Continued)

B. Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois (TRS) (Concluded)

Contributions (Concluded)

Contributions from active members and TRS contributing employers are also required by the Illinois Pension Code. The contribution rates are specified in the pension code. The active member contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2022 was 9.0 percent of creditable earnings. The member contribution, which may be paid on behalf of employees by the employer, is submitted to TRS by the Regional Office of Education No. 3.

On-behalf contributions to TRS – The State of Illinois makes employer pension contributions on behalf of the Regional Office of Education No. 3.

2.2 formula contributions - Employers contribute 0.58 percent of total creditable earnings for the 2.2 formula change. The contribution rate is specified by statute. Contributions for the year ending June 30, 2023 were \$6,292.

Federal and special trust fund contributions - When TRS members are paid from federal and special trust funds administered by the Regional Office of Education No. 3, there is a statutory requirement for the Regional Office of Education No. 3 to pay an employer pension contribution from those funds. Under Public Act 100-0340, the federal and special trust fund contribution rate is the total employer normal cost beginning with the year ended June 30, 2018.

Previously, employer contributions for employees paid from federal and special trust funds were at the same rate as the state contribution rate to TRS and were much higher.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the employer pension contribution was 10.49 percent of salaries paid from federal and special trust funds. For the year ended June 30, 2023, salaries totaling \$114,829 were paid from federal and special trust funds that required employer contributions of \$12,045.

Employer retirement cost contributions - Under GASB Statement No. 68, contributions that an employer is required to pay because of a TRS member retiring are categorized as specific liability payments. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 is required to make a one-time contribution to TRS for members granted salary increases over 6 percent if those salaries are used to calculate a retiree's final average salary.

A one-time contribution is also required for members granted sick leave days in excess of the normal annual allotment if those days are used as TRS service credit. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Regional Office of Education No. 3 made no payments to TRS for employer contributions due on salary increases in excess of 6 percent or for sick leave days granted in excess of the normal annual allotment.

NOTE 3 – RETIREMENT FUND COMMITMENTS (Concluded)

C. Pension Expense

The Regional Office's aggregate pension expense for retirement funds for year ended June 30, 2023 is as follows:

Employer I chiston Expense	
IMRF	\$ 59,384
TRS	 18,337
Total Pension Expense	\$ 77,721

NOTE 4 – OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Employer Pension Expense

A. Teachers' Health Insurance Security

Plan Description

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 participates in the Teachers' Health Insurance Security (THIS) fund. The THIS fund is a non-appropriated trust fund held outside the State Treasury, with the State Treasurer as custodian. Additions deposited into the Trust are for the sole purpose of providing the health benefits to retirees, as established under the plan, and associated administrative costs. The THIS fund is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan that covers retired employees of participating employers throughout the State of Illinois, excluding the Chicago Public School System. THIS health coverage includes provisions for medical, prescription, and behavioral health benefits, but does not provide vision, dental, or life insurance benefits. Annuitants may participate in the State administered Preferred Provider Organization plan or choose from several managed care options. As a result of the Governor's Executive Order 12-01, the responsibilities in relation to THIS were transferred to the Department of Central Management Services (Department) as of July 1, 2013. The Department administers the plan with the cooperation of the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS).

Benefits Provided

The State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 (5 ILCS 375/6.5) outlines the eligibility and benefit provisions of the THIS Fund and amendments to the plan can be made only by legislative action with the Governor's approval. The plan is administered by Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS) with the cooperation of TRS. Section 6.6 of the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 required all active contributors to TRS who are not employees of the State to make a contribution to the THIS Fund.

A percentage of employer required contributions in the future will not exceed 105 percent of the percentage of salary actually required to be paid in the previous fiscal year.

NOTE 4 – OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

A. Teachers' Health Insurance Security (Concluded)

On-behalf Contributions to the THIS Fund

The State of Illinois makes employer retiree health insurance contributions on behalf of the Regional Office of Education No. 3.

Employer Contributions to the THIS Fund

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 also makes contributions to the THIS Fund. The employer THIS Fund contribution was 0.67 percent during the year ended June 30, 2023. For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Regional Office paid \$7,268 to the THIS Fund, which was 100 percent of the required contribution.

Further Information on the THIS Fund

The publicly available financial report of the THIS Fund may be found on the website of the Illinois Auditor General: http://www.auditor.illinois.gov/Audit-Reports/ABC-List.asp. The current reports are listed under "Central Management Services." Prior reports are available under "Healthcare and Family Services."

B. Health Insurance

Plan Description

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 provides a single-employer defined-benefit postemployment healthcare plan to retirees who participate in the IMRF retirement plan. The benefits, benefit levels, employee contributions and employer contributions are governed by the Regional Office of Education No. 3 and can be amended by the Regional Office through its personnel manual, except for the implicit subsidy which is governed by the State Legislature and Illinois Compiled Statutes (ILCS). The plan is not accounted for as trust fund since an irrevocable trust has not been established by the Regional Office of Education No. 3. The plan does not issue a separate report.

Benefits Provided

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 provides medical and prescription drug insurance coverage to IMRF participants and eligible retirees through a group plan. Premium rates are determined by the participant's age. The plan uses the Hospital Sisters health System (HSHS) provider network which services primarily the central Illinois region.

For a retired employee to be eligible for benefits, an employee must qualify for retirement in accordance with the requirements established by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. Employees hired prior to January 1, 2011, Tier I employees, are eligible for retirement at age 55 with 35 years of service or age 60 with 8 years of service and are eligible for early retirement at age 55 with 8 years of service. Employees hired after December 31, 2010, Tier 2 employees, are eligible for retirement at age 62 with 35 years of service or age 67 with 10 years of service and are eligible for early retirement at age 62 with 10 years of service. Participants in the plan, included spouses and surviving spouses, are eligible to remain on the plan until age 65 when Medicare becomes the primary insurer.

NOTE 4 – OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Concluded)

B. Health Insurance (Continued)

Membership

As of June 30, 2023, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	0
Inactive plan members entitled to buy not yet receiving benefits	0
Active plan members	<u>19</u>
Total	<u>19</u>

Funding Policy and Contributions

The Regional Office pays 100% of the eligible employee's premium cost, however, the employee must pay for any coverage provided for spouses or children. In addition, any eligible retiree utilizing the Regional Office's group insurance is responsible for 100% of their premium. At June 30, 2023, there were no retirees utilizing the Regional Office's health insurance The Regional Office paid \$27,951 in health insurance premiums for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

NOTE 5 – ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS

Christian County, Effingham County, and Fayette County paid certain benefits on behalf of the Regional Office of Education No. 3. The benefits paid on the Regional Office of Education No. 3's behalf by the counties for the year ended June 30, 2023, were as follows:

Office Staff Benefits:	
Christian County	\$ 7,991
Effingham County	6,655
Fayette County	 20,849
Total	\$ 35,495

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 received on-behalf payments for employee salaries and benefits from the State of Illinois for the following items:

Regional Superintendent-salary	\$ 127,908
Regional Superintendent-benefits	
(includes State paid insurance)	44,030
Assistant Regional Superintendent-salary	115,116
Assistant Regional Superintendent-benefits	
(includes State paid insurance)	40,055
Totals	\$ 327,109

NOTE 5 – ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS (Concluded)

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 received \$592,251 in on-behalf payments from ISBE for the Regional Office's share of the State's Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) pension expense. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 received (\$156,052) in on-behalf benefit from the State for the Regional Office's share of the State's Teachers' Health Insurance Security (THIS) OPEB expense (benefit), which was 100 percent of the required contribution.

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County On-Behalf	\$ 35,495
State On-Behalf	
Salaries and Benefits	327,109
TRS	592,251
THIS	(156,052)
Total On-Behalf Payments	\$ 798,803

Because the Regional Office prepares their financial statements in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the on-behalf payments are not reflected in the Regional Office's financial statements.

NOTE 6 – LEASE COMMITTMENTS

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 has three building leases for classroom space in Vandalia Effingham and Taylorville, Illinois that expire at the end of each fiscal year-end with annual lease amounts of \$72,500, \$62,226, and \$13,200, respectively for the year ended June 30, 2023. These leases have historically been automatically renewed on an annual basis.

On June 21, 2022, the Regional Office entered into a lease agreement for classroom space in Litchfield, Illinois. The lease term is July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. Rent is \$40,000 per year, payable in four installments on July 15, October 15, January 15, and April 15 each year.

During fiscal year 2020, the Regional Office leased a copier. The lease term was September 11, 2020 to September 10, 2023, and includes monthly lease payments of \$242.

During fiscal year 2019, the Regional Office leased a copier. The lease term was August 19, 2019 to August 4, 2024, and includes monthly lease payments of \$65.

During fiscal year 2021, the Regional Office leased three copiers. The lease term did not begin until the copiers were received. The lease term was August 17, 2022 to August 16, 2027, and includes quarterly lease payments of \$2,344.

NOTE 6 – LEASE COMMITMENTS (Concluded)

Rental expense for the year ended June 30, 2023 was \$200,985.

Future minimum rentals for the year ending June 30 are:

For	the	year	ending

June 30,	 Amount
2024	\$ 50,639
2025	49,440
2026	9,375
2027	-
2028	-
Thereafter	-
Total	\$ 109,454

NOTE 7 – DEFICIT FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION

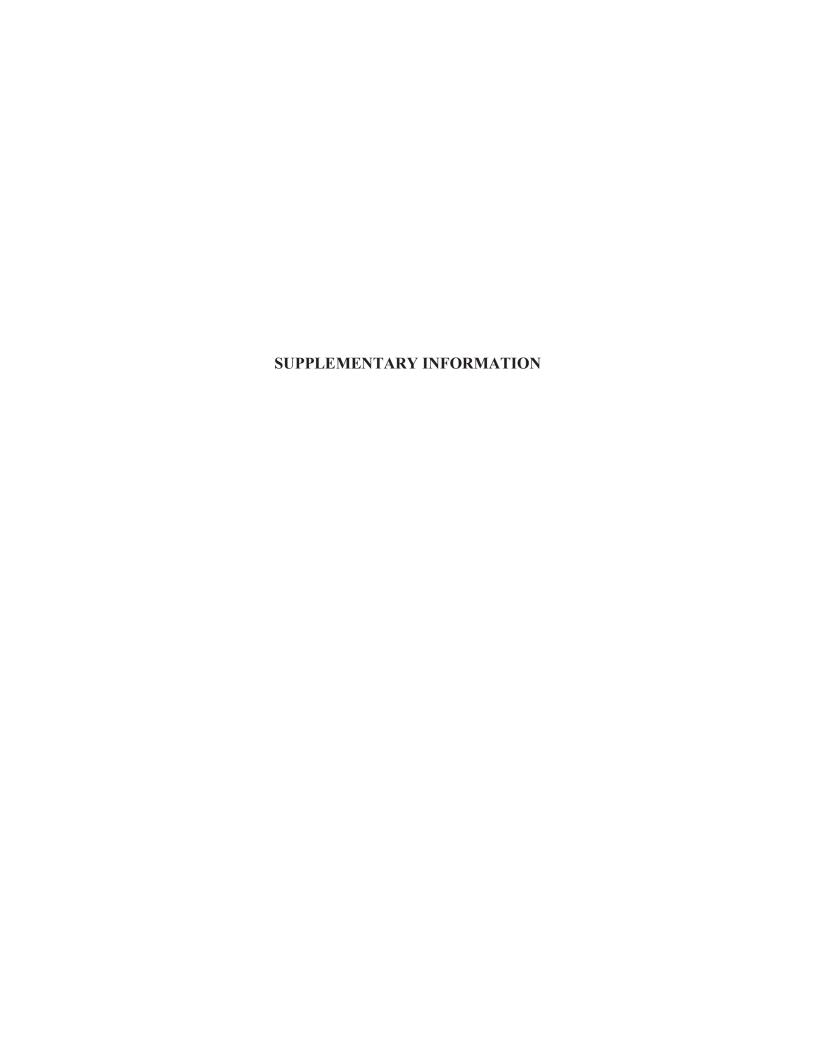
The following individual funds carried a deficit fund balance as of June 30, 2023:

American Rescue Plan – McKinney Vento Homeless Grant	\$ 124,961
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant	25,744
McKinney Education For Homeless Children	55,688
Totals	\$ 206,393

These deficit fund balances will be eliminated in fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 when the respective grant reimbursements are received. If grant funds are not received, the Regional Office will transfer unrestricted funding to cover the deficit.

NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Regional Office of Education No. 3 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. The Regional Office of Education No. 3 has purchased commercial insurance to cover these risks. No losses have been incurred in excess of the amounts covered by insurance over the past three years.



COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES AND CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	General		County	EIU	tendance Officer	(Truant ternative/ Optional cation EBF	Sat	Regional fe Schools gram EBF	,	Γuition	Total
Receipts												
Local sources	\$ 112,607	\$	225,649	\$ 2,340	\$ 25,000	\$	318	\$	-	\$	44,384	\$ 410,298
State sources	-		-	-	-		775,505		436,240		-	1,211,745
Interest	 47,846		-	 -	 -		-		-		-	47,846
Total Receipts	 160,453	_	225,649	 2,340	 25,000		775,823		436,240		44,384	1,669,889
Disbursements Instructional services:												
Salaries and benefits	64,352		205,325	-	21,012		428,138		309,204		-	1,028,031
Purchased services	29,256		17,880	-	572		138,577		41,838		46,319	274,442
Supplies and materials	920		1,125	-	54		22,665		39,796		-	64,560
Capital outlay		_		 	 -		824		26,007		-	26,831
Total Disbursements	 94,528		224,330	 	 21,638		590,204		416,845		46,319	1,393,864
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements	65,925		1,319	2,340	3,362		185,619		19,395		(1,935)	276,025
Cash Basis Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	 111,366		42,451	10,486	21,603		696,394		465,304		75,477	1,423,081
Cash Basis Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 177,291	\$	43,770	\$ 12,826	\$ 24,965	\$	882,013	\$	484,699	\$	73,542	\$ 1,699,106
Cash Basis Assets - End of Year Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 177,291	\$	43,770	\$ 12,826	\$ 24,965	\$	882,013	\$	484,699	\$	73,542	\$ 1,699,106
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year Assigned Truant and Safe School operations Unassigned	\$ - 177,291	\$	43,770	\$ - 12,826	\$ 24,965	\$	882,013	\$	484,699	\$	73,542	\$ 1,465,219 233,887
Total Cash Basis Fund Balance	\$ 177,291	\$	43,770	\$ 12,826	\$ 24,965	\$	882,013	\$	484,699	\$	73,542	\$ 1,699,106

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES AND CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		ternative lucation ams - Other	Pla McK	erican Rescue an (ARP) - Linney Vento neless Grant	•	Childhood	Second Digi	nentary and dary Relief - tal Equity nula Grant	Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant		
Receipts	Φ.	7. 0.60					Φ.				
Local sources	\$	7,263	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
State sources		394		-		691,795		-		-	
Federal sources		75,640		208,250		-		8,132		62,030	
Total Receipts		83,297		208,250		691,795		8,132	-	62,030	
Disbursements											
Instructional services:											
Salaries and benefits		-		24,940		452,342		-		57,588	
Purchased services		79,598		132,919		115,141		-		1,349	
Supplies and materials		4,646		8,609		110,558		5,394		12,574	
Intergovernmental:											
Payments to other governments		-		143,487		-		-		-	
Capital outlay		-		-		43,202		-		-	
Total Disbursements		84,244		309,955		721,243		5,394		71,511	
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts											
Over Disbursements		(947)		(101,705)		(29,448)		2,738		(9,481)	
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year		53,715		(23,256)		29,448		(2,738)		(16,263)	
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$	52,768	\$	(124,961)	\$		\$		\$	(25,744)	
Cash Basis Assets - End of Year Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	52,768	\$	(124,961)	\$		\$	_	\$	(25,744)	
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year Restricted											
Education programs	\$	52,768	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Unassigned				(124,961)						(25,744)	
Total Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit)	\$	52,768	\$	(124,961)	\$		\$		\$	(25,744)	

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES AND CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Ed:	AcKinney ucation for Homeless Children	Regional Safe Schools		Alt ROE/ISC O			Truants Iternative/ Optional Education Total		
Receipts										
Local sources	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,263
State sources		-		79,279		334,685		227,932		1,334,085
Federal sources		481,839		-		-		-		835,891
Total Receipts		481,839		79,279		334,685		227,932		2,177,239
Disbursements										
Instructional services:										
Salaries and benefits		130,019		46,870		290,965		196,507		1,199,231
Purchased services		30,683		35,225		36,566		21,953		453,434
Supplies and materials		3,702		-		-		-		145,483
Intergovernmental:										
Payments to other governments		220,604		-		-		-		364,091
Capital outlay		-		-		-		-		43,202
Total Disbursements		385,008		82,095		327,531		218,460		2,205,441
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts										
Over Disbursements		96,831		(2,816)		7,154		9,472		(28,202)
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year		(152,519)		6,487		3,209		5,989		(95,928)
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$	(55,688)	\$	3,671	\$	10,363	\$	15,461	\$	(124,130)
Cash Basis Assets - End of Year										
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	(55,688)	\$	3,671	\$	10,363	\$	15,461	\$	(124,130)
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year Restricted										
Education programs	\$	-	\$	3,671	\$	10,363	\$	15,461	\$	82,263
Unassigned		(55,688)						<u>-</u>		(206,393)
Total Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit)	\$	(55,688)	\$	3,671	\$	10,363	\$	15,461	\$	(124,130)

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS

GETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP) - MCKINNEY VENTO HOMELESS GRANT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Budgeted	unts	Actual		
	(Original		Final		Amounts
Receipts						
Federal sources	\$	716,065	\$	716,065	\$	208,250
Total Receipts		716,065		716,065		208,250
Disbursements						
Instructional services:		72.952		72.952		24.040
Salaries and benefits		72,852		72,852		24,940
Purchased services		91,177		75,377		132,919
Supplies and materials		9,487		10,787		8,609
Intergovernmental:						
Payments to other governments		537,049		557,049		143,487
Capital outlay		5,500				
Total Disbursements		716,065		716,065		309,955
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts						
Over Disbursements	\$		\$			(101,705)
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit) - Beginn		(23,256)				
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit) - End of	f Year				\$	(124,961)

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS EARLY CHILDHOOD BLOCK GRANT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Budgeted	unts	Actual		
		Original		Final		Amounts
Receipts						
State sources	\$	697,100	\$	697,100	\$	691,795
Total Receipts		697,100		697,100		691,795
Disbursements						
Instructional services:						
Salaries and benefits		540,180	455,773			452,342
Purchased services	98,495			116,176		115,141
Supplies and materials		52,425		98,302		110,558
Capital outlay		6,000		26,849		43,202
Total Disbursements		697,100		697,100		721,243
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts						
Over Disbursements	\$		\$			(29,448)
Cash Basis Fund Balance - Beginning of Yo	ear					29,448
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year					\$	

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY RELIEF - DIGITAL EQUITY FORMULA GRANT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Budgeted	nts	Actual		
	Original		Final	A1	mounts
Receipts					
Federal sources	\$ 25,250	\$	25,250	\$	8,132
Total Receipts	25,250		25,250		8,132
Disbursements					
Instructional services:					
Purchased services	4,113		-		-
Supplies and materials	16,037		21,817		5,394
Capital outlay	5,100		3,433		-
Total Disbursements	25,250		25,250		5,394
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts					
Over Disbursements	\$ 	\$			2,738
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit) - Begin		(2,738)			
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year				\$	-

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL EMERGENCY RELIEF GRANT II AND III FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Actual			
	(Original	Final	A	mounts
Receipts					
Federal sources	\$	125,081	\$ 125,081	\$	62,030
Total Receipts		125,081	125,081		62,030
Disbursements					
Instructional services:					
Salaries and benefits		85,571	85,571		57,588
Purchased services		26,028	26,028		1,349
Supplies and materials		13,482	13,482		12,574
Total Disbursements		125,081	125,081		71,511
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts					
Over Disbursements	\$		\$ 		(9,481)
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit) - Beginnin		(16,263)			
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit) - End of Y	ear			\$	(25,744)

Note: The Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief Grant Education Fund Account includes both the Elementary and Secondary School Relief Grant II and Elementary and Secondary School Relief Grant III. Receipts related to the prior year program are included in the actual column.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 RUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE. CASH BASIS

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS

MCKINNEY EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN (2023-4920-RF) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Budgeted	unts	Actual		
		Original		Final		Amounts
Receipts Federal sources	\$	340,356	\$	409,204	\$	215,327
Total Receipts		340,356		409,204		215,327
Disbursements Instructional services: Salaries and benefits		56,246		72,880		115,445
Purchased services		15,072		8,072		26,111
Supplies and materials		13,000		72,214		3,702
Intergovernmental:						
Payments to other governments		255,267		255,267		125,757
Capital outlay		771		771		
Total Disbursements		340,356		409,204		271,015
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts Over Disbursements	\$		\$			(55,688)
Cash Basis Fund Balance - Beginning of Y	ear					-
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit) - End of	f Year				\$	(55,688)

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS

MCKINNEY EDUCATION FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN (2022-4920-00) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Budgeted	unts	Actual		
	(Original		Final		Amounts
Receipts						
Federal sources	\$	478,470	\$	503,500	\$	266,512
Total Receipts		478,470		503,500		266,512
Disbursements						
Instructional services:						
Salaries and benefits		76,782		91,334		14,574
Purchased services		23,336		16,966		4,572
Supplies and materials		14,000		14,493		-
Intergovernmental:						
Payments to other governments		361,852		379,945		94,847
Capital outlay		2,500		762		-
Total Disbursements		478,470		503,500		113,993
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts						
Over Disbursements	\$		\$			152,519
Cash Basis Fund Balance (Deficit) - Beginning of Year						(152,519)
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year					\$	

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS

REGIONAL SAFE SCHOOLS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Budgeted	ınts	Actual		
	О	riginal		Final	A	mounts
Receipts						
State sources	\$	79,279	\$	79,279	\$	79,279
Total Receipts		79,279		79,279		79,279
Disbursements Instructional services:						
Salaries and benefits		44,055		44,055		46,870
Purchased services		35,224		35,224		35,225
Total Disbursements		79,279		79,279		82,095
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts						
Over Disbursements	\$		\$	-		(2,816)
Cash Basis Fund Balance - Beginning of Yea		6,487				
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year					\$	3,671

Note: Disbursements related to the prior year program are included in the actual amounts column.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS

ROE/ISC OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Budgeted	ınts	Actual		
	Original			Final		Amounts
Receipts						
State sources	\$	334,685	\$	334,685	\$	334,685
Total Receipts		334,685		334,685		334,685
Disbursements						
Instructional services:						
Salaries and benefits		305,543		298,203		290,965
Purchased services		29,142		36,482		36,566
Total Disbursements		334,685		334,685		327,531
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts						
Over Disbursements	\$		\$			7,154
Cash Basis Fund Balance - Beginning of Ye	ear					3,209
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year					\$	10,363

Note: Disbursements related to the prior year program are included in the actual amounts column.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - CASH BASIS EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS TRUANTS ALTERNATIVE/OPTIONAL EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		Budgeted	unts	Actual		
		Original		Final		Amounts
_						
Receipts						
State sources	\$	227,932	\$	227,932	\$	227,932
Total Receipts		227,932		227,932		227,932
Disbursements						
Instructional services:						
Salaries and benefits	214,714 205,978			196,507		
Purchased services			21,954		21,953	
Total Disbursements		227,932		227,932		218,460
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts						
Over Disbursements	\$		\$			9,472
Cash Basis Fund Balance - Beginning of Yea		5,989				
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year					\$	15,461

Note: Disbursements related to the prior year program are included in the actual amounts column.

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH BASIS ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES AND CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BASIS FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

		General			
	Ed	ucation	Bus Driver		
	Dev	elopment	Training		Total
Receipts					
Local sources	\$	2,786	\$	11,825	\$ 14,611
State sources				1,522	1,522
Total Receipts		2,786	-	13,347	 16,133
Disbursements					
Purchased services		-		12,118	12,118
Supplies and materials		_		9	9
Total Disbursements		-		12,127	12,127
Excess (Deficiency) of Receipts					
Over Disbursements		2,786		1,220	4,006
Cash Basis Fund Balance - Beginning of Year		54,001		35,939	 89,940
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year	\$	56,787	\$	37,159	\$ 93,946
Cash Basis Assets - End of Year					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	56,787	\$	37,159	\$ 93,946
Cash Basis Fund Balance - End of Year Restricted					
GED testing	\$	56,787	\$	-	\$ 56,787
Bus driver traning		-		37,159	37,159
Total Cash Basis Fund Balance	\$	56,787	\$	37,159	\$ 93,946

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS - CASH BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,2023

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal Assistance Listing Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
U.S. Department of Education				
Passed through Illinois State Board of Education				
Education for Homeless Children and Youth				
McKinney Education for Homeless Children (M)	84.196A	2022-4920-00	\$ 94,847	\$ 113,993
McKinney Education for Homeless Children (M)	84.196A	2023-4920-RF	125,757	271,015
Total Education for Homeless Children			220,604	385,008
Education Stabilization Fund				
COVID-19 - Elementary and Secondary Relief -				
Digital Equity Formula Grant	84.425D	2022-4998-D2	-	5,394
COVID-19 - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief	84.425U	2022-4998-E3	-	71,511
COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan (ARP) -				
McKinney Vento Homeless Grant	84.425W	2022-4998-HM	143,487	309,955
Total Education Stabilization Fund			143,487	386,860
Total U.S. Department of Education				
Passed through Illinois State Board of Education			364,091	771,868
U.S. Department of Agriculture				
Passed through Illinois State Board of Education				
Child Nutrition Cluster				
National School Lunch	10.555	2023-4210-00	-	47,516
National School Lunch	10.555	2022-4210-00		9,090
Total National School Lunch				56,606
School Breakfast Program	10.553	2023-4220-00	-	16,772
School Breakfast Program	10.553	2022-4220-00		1,634
Total School Breakfast Program				18,406
Total Child Nutrition Cluster				75,012
COVID-19 - Pandemic EBT Administrative Costs				
COVID-19 - Pandemic EBT Administrative Costs -	10.640	2022 4210 DE		(20
National School Lunch Program	10.649	2022-4210-BT		628
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture Passed through Illinois State Board of Education				75,640
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 364,091	\$ 847,508
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⁽M) Program was audited as a major program.

BOND, CHRISTIAN, EFFINGHAM, FAYETTE, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION NO. 3 NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS – CASH BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 – REPORTING ENTITY BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND ACCOUNTING

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of Regional Office of Education No. 3 under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2023. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 *U.S. Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Regional Office of Education No. 3, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the Regional Office of Education No. 3.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Expenditures are recognized when expended and follow the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

Regional Office of Education No. 3 has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.