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Independent Auditors' Report

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Claiborne Parish School Board as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, which collectively comprise the school board's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Claiborne Parish School Board's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Claiborne Parish School Board as of June 30, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with U. S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the school board has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements—and Management's Discussion and Analysis---for State and Local Governments, as of June 30, 2004.

Management's discussion and analysis, the budgetary information, and the performance and statistical data on pages 8 through 12, 44 through 46, and 48 through 63, respectively are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Management's discussion and analysis and the General Fund budgetary comparison schedule are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board while the performance and statistical data are required by state law. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information and reviewing the source of selected information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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My audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements of the Claiborne Parish School Board, taken as a whole. The supplemental information schedules listed in the table of contents, including the schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued a report dated December 9, 2004, on my consideration of the Claiborne Parish School Board's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of my audit.

West Monroe, Louisiana

December 9, 2004

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART I

Claiborne Parish School Board

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Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2004

As management of the Claiborne Parish School Board, we offer readers of the Claiborne Parish School Board's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Claiborne Parish School Board for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here, in conjunction with the basic financial statements, and the supplementary information provided in this report in assessing the efficiency and effectiveness of our stewardship of public resources.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Claiborne Parish School Board's basic financial statements. The Claiborne Parish School Board's basic financial statements comprise three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Claiborne Parish School Board's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

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

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

Fund Financial Statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Claiborne Parish School Board, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Claiborne Parish School Board can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary (agency) funds.

Governmental Funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because of the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Claiborne Parish School Board maintains twelve individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general fund, which is considered to be a major fund. Data from the other sixteen funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report.

The Claiborne Parish School Board adopts an annual appropriated budget for all funds. A budgetary comparison statement is provided for the major fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Fiduciary Funds. Fiduciary (agency) funds are used to account for resources for the benefit of parties outside the government. Since these resources are not available to support the Claiborne Parish School Board's programs, Fiduciary (agency) funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statement.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information concerning the Claiborne Parish School Board's performance and statistical information submitted to the Louisiana Department of Education.

The combining statements referred to earlier in connection with non-major governmental funds are presented immediately following the required supplementary information.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, assets of the Claiborne Parish School Board exceeded liabilities by 10,665,514. The largest portion of the Claiborne Parish School Board's net assets reflects its investment in capital assets. These assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources.

Statement of Net Assets Governmental Funds

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS

ASSETS ALL OTHER DEDITS		
	2003	2004
Cash and cash equivalents	3,707,698	3,614,116
Investments	14,097,195	7,947,530
Receivables	1,317,033	1,124,879
Inventory	24,238	22,333
Other assets	6,898	19,054
Capital Assets (net of accumulated depreciation)		
Land	96,923	96,923
Buildings and improvements	1,474,619	1,370,189
Furniture and equipment	925,106	1,183,313
Construction in progress	<u>8,017,796</u>	13,639,292
TOTAL ASETS AND OTHER DEBITS	\$29,667,506	\$29,017,629
LIABILITIES		
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	2,433,256	449,992
Salaries and related payable	na	1,580,344
Interest payable	124,137	180,449
Long-term liabilities:		
Due within one year	575,273	572,273
Due in more than one year	<u>16,271,586</u>	15,569,057
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$19,404,252</u>	\$18,352,115
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NET ASSETS		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	-5,435,556	929,308
Restricted for:		
Debt service	662,579	676,429
Unrestricted	15,036,231	9,059,777
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$10,263,254	\$10,665,514

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

Claiborne Parish School Board uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The focus of the governmental funds is to provide information on near-term revenue, expenditures, and balances of expendable resources. This information is used to assessing the financing requirements of our system. Unreserved fund balances may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of June 30, 2004, combined governmental fund balances of \$10,697,576 showed an decrease of \$6,022,230 over June 30, 2003. General Fund's balance of \$6,575,187 is a higher amount from the 2003 balance (\$5,278,593).

The contingency fund balance increased by \$6,903. (From \$542,384 on June 30, 2003 to \$549,287 in 2004) Claiborne Parish School Board anticipates this amount to continue to increase over the next years by approximately the same amount because we will not need to use our contingency fund in our yearly operations.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Differences between the bottom line of the original budget and the final budget were relatively small. (Beginning Budget 5,197,893 & Actual 4,846,921) Actual numbers for Special Operations Taxes and Constitutional Taxes were higher than expected, along with other sources of revenue. Expenditures were lower in areas such as Office Supplies, School Administration, Business Administration, and Materials and Supplies.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The Claiborne Parish School Board's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2004, amounts to \$16,289,717 (net accumulated depreciation). This investment includes land, buildings and improvements, furniture and equipment, and construction in progress. The increase in capital assets for the year was \$5,689,025. There were no reductions in capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2004.

Long-Term Debt. At the end of the fiscal year, Claiborne Parish School Board had total bonded debt outstanding, in the form of general obligation bonds, of \$8,400,000 for our District 11 and \$8,100,000 for District 13. Claiborne Parish School Board long-term debt's standing is in excellent condition. Only District 11 and District 13 are left with bonded debt.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets

The Claiborne Parish Schools financial plan for this upcoming year is well underway since the adoption of a realistic budget that meets the instructional needs of the students while protecting the long-term financial stability of the district.

Since the passing of the two bond issues, District 11 & 13, the two school projects are coming along at an acceptable pace. District 11 is 99.5% completed (We are still

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working on a few punch-list items) and, District 13 is around 60% completed. The District 13 Elementary project is down to punch-list items, while our Phase II is ready to begin. District 1, 16, & 26 are being renovated on an as-needed basis to accommodate the student population. District 13 is expected to have a shortfall of \$250,000. The will be provided for by their District 13 Maintenance Fund.

Our local tax basin is growing slowly each month. Last year we showed an upward trend in tax collections. The 2004-05 general fund budget was project to end up with a surplus balance even though for the year 04-05 we expect to expend more than our revenues. Our surplus balance will more than cover this. We are anticipating a few changes in the salary categories, but are still working towards a realistic budget for future planning purposes.

Our main focus during the 2004-05 school year will be our buildings & grounds, reading & math skills, ACT scores, teacher pay raises, and long-term fiscal security of the Claiborne Parish School Board.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to be a summary of the Claiborne Parish School Board's finances. If there are any questions regarding any information, a request can be made in writing at the Claiborne Parish School Board, Office of the Business Manager, 415 East Main Street, PO Box 600, Homer, Louisiana 71040. Our phone number is (318) 927-3502.

Mr. James E. Scriber, Superintendent

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BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

June 30, 2004

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$3,614,116
Investments	7,947,530
Receivables	1,124,879
Inventory	22,333
Other assets	19,054
Capital Assets (net of accumulated depreciation):	,
Land	96,923
Buildings and improvements	1,370,189
Furniture and equipment	1,183,313
Construction in progress	13,639,292
TOTAL ASSETS	29,017,629
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	449,992
Salaries and related payable	1,580,344
Interest payable on long-term debt	180,449
Long-term liabilities:	,
Due within one year	572,273
Due in more than one year	<u>15,569,057</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	18,352,115
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	929,308
Restricted for debt service	676,429
Unrestricted	9,059,777
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$10,665,514

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	PROGRAM REVENUES				NET
	EXPENSES	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	OPERATING GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	CAPITAL GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS	(EXPENSE) REVENUE AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS					
Governmental activities:					
Instructional services:					
Regular programs	\$8,435,246		\$238,409		(\$8,196,837)
Special programs	1,298,433		1,091,824	<i>77</i> ,231	(129,378)
Special education programs	2,365,064		117,458	1,300	(2,246,306)
Vocational programs	626,977		43,218	5,267	(578,492)
Other instructional programs	389,674				(389,674)
Adult/continuing education	113,403		44,998		(68,405)
Support services:					
Student support services	636,108		15,238		(620,870)
Instructional staff support services	1,515,915		852,257		(663,658)
General administration	629,989		2,105		(627,884)
School administration	1,250,302				(1,250,302)
Business services	209,070				(209,070)
Plant services	1,876,598		148,324		(1,728,274)
Student transportation services	1,106,441		4,132		(1,102,309)
Central services Non instructional services:	9,986				(9,986)
Food service operations	1 574 677	£20£ 40£	072.60/		
Community service programs	1,574,672 18,804	\$205,495	972,606		(396,571)
Interest on long-term debt	806,062				(18,804)
interest on long-term debt	800,002				(806,062)
Total Governmental Activities	\$22,862,744	\$205,495	\$3,530,569	\$83,798	(19,042,882)
	General revenue	es:			
	Taxes:				
	Ad valorem ta	es levied for gener	ral purposes		\$ 1,677 ,6 98
		ces levied for debt			1,390,195
		ied for general pur			2,435,566
	State revenue s	sharing	•		115,651
	Grants and cont	ributions not restri	cted to specific purposes:		
	Minimum Fou	ndation Program			13,079,889
	Other unrestric				165,405
	Interest and inve	estment earnings			163,833
	Miscellaneous				326,178
	Total general re				19,354,415
	Changes in net a				311,533
	Net assets at beg				10,353,981
	Net assets at end	d of year			\$10,665,514

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Balance Sheet, June 30, 2004

	MAJOR FUNDS			
	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - DISTRICT 13	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL (MEMORANDUM ONLY)
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,900,132	\$59,255	\$1,654,729	\$3,614,116
Investments	3,023,006	3,912,794	1,011,730	7,947,530
Receivables	631,268	5,212,751	493,611	1,124,879
Interfund receivables	1,014,144		249,821	1,263,965
Inventory	1,011,117		22,333	22,333
Other assets	6,637			6,637
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,575,187	<u>\$3,972,049</u>	\$3,432,224	\$13,979,460
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$9,851	\$362,141	\$78,000	\$449,992
Salaries payable	1,404,975	,	175,369	1,580,344
Interfund payables	48,044		1,203,504	1,251,548
Total Liabilities	1,462,870	362,141	1,456,873	3,281,884
Fund Equity -fund balances:				
Reserved for debt service			676,429	676,429
Unreserved:				
Designated for contingencies	549,287			549,287
Designated for roofing			110,579	110,579
Unreserved - undesignated	4,563,030	3,609,908	1,188,343	9,361,281
Total Fund Equity	5,112,317	3,609,908	1,975,351	10,697,576
TOTAL LIABILITIES				
AND FUND EQUITY	\$6,575,187	\$3,972,049	\$3,432,224	\$13,979,460

Statement D

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Assets

For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

Total Fund Balances at June 30, 2004 - Governmental Funds (Statement C)	<u>\$10,697,576</u>
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets (Statement A) are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	16,289,717
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds	(16,141,330)
Interest on long-term debt is not recognized in governmental funds until it is due and payable (usually semi-annually), however, in the statement of net assets that amount of interest which is payable but not yet due is recognized as a current liability	(180,449)
Net Assets at June 30,2004 (Statement A)	\$10,665,514

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	MAJOR FUNDS			
		CAPITAL		
		PROJECTS	OTHER	
	GENERAL	FUND -	GOVERNMENTAL	
	FUND	DISTRICT 13	FUNDS	TOTAL
REVENUES				
Local sources:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem	\$908,424		\$2,159,469	\$3,067,893
Sales and use	2,435,566			2,435,566
Food service			205,495	205,495
Earnings on investments	63,452	\$79,298	21,083	163,833
Other local sources	325,154			325,154
State sources:				
State revenue sharing	71,205		44,446	115,651
Unrestricted grants-in-aid	13,079,889		103,329	13,183,218
Restricted grants-in-aid	495,361			495,361
Federal sources:				
Unrestricted grants-in-aid	62,076			62,076
Restricted grants-in-aid	254,660	. <u></u>	2,864,346	<u>3,119,006</u>
Total revenues	17,695,787	79,298	5,398,168	_23,173,253
EXPENDITURES				
Education:				
Instruction:				
Regular programs	8,393,872		27,781	8,421,653
Special programs	197,947		1,070,772	1,268,719
Special education programs	2,321,053		43,599	2,364,652
Adult and continuing				
education programs	71,619		36,382	108,001
Vocational programs	556,170		43,055	599,225
Other instructional programs	385,622			385,622
Support services:				
Pupil support services	620,843		14,940	635,783
Instructional staff support	987,129		511,087	1,498,216
General administration	532,799	16,487	78,712	627,998
School administration	1,206,899		40,627	1,247,526
Business services	209,070			209,070
Operation and maintenance of				
plant services	1,158,374		776,138	1,934,512
Student transportation services	871,099		80,399	951,498

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CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances, 2004

	MAJOF	FUNDS		
	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - DISTRICT 13	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL
EXPENDITURES (CONTD.) Education: (Contd.)				
Support services: (Contd.) Food services Central services	\$241,139 9,986		\$1,298,313	\$1,539,452 9,986
Community service programs Capital outlay Debt service	18,804 154,828	\$4,412,983	1,460,435 1,352,023	18,804 6,028,246 1,352,023
Total expenditures	17,937,253	4,429,470	6,834,263	29,200,986
EXCESS (Deficiency) REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(241,466)	(4,350,172)	(1,436,095)	(6,027,733)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (Use)				
Insurance recovery	5,503			5,503
Operating transfers in	70,615			70,615
Operating transfers out	(928)		(69,687)	(70,615)
Total other financing sources (use)	75,190	NONE	(69,687)	5,503
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(166,276)	(4,350,172)	(1,505,782)	(6,022,230)
AND OTHER USES	(100,270)	(7,330,172)	(1,303,782)	(0,022,230)
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	5,278,593	7,960,080	3,481,133	16,719,806
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	\$5,112,317	\$3,609,908	\$1,975,351	\$10,697,576

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Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (Statement E)	(\$6,022,230)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceed depreciation in the period	5,689,025
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets	602,274
In governmental funds the loss of an asset is only recognized to the extent of any insurance or damage recovery. However in the statement of activities, only that amount, if any, above the book value of the asset is recognized. This is the amount recognized in the governmental funds which is not recognized in the statement of activities	(4,480)
In the Statement of Activities, certain operating expenses - compensated absences (vacation and sick leave)- are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid). This is the amount by which payments exceeded earnings during the year	103,256
Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recognized as an expenditure in the funds when it is due, and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.	(56,312)
Change in net assets of governmental activities (Statement B)	\$311,533

Statement G

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana FIDUCIARY SCHOOL ACTIVITY AGENCY FUND

Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents \$430,509

LIABILITIES

Deposits due others \$430,509

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

Notes to the Financial Statements As of and For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Claiborne Parish School Board was created by Louisiana Revised Statute (LSA-R.S.) 17:51 to provide public education for the children within Claiborne Parish. The school board is authorized by LSA-R.S. 17:81 to establish policies and regulations for its own government consistent with the laws of the State of Louisiana and the regulations of the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. The school board is comprised of ten members who are elected for terms of four years.

The school board operates nine schools within the parish with a total enrollment of 2,852 pupils for the year ended June 30, 2004. In conjunction with the regular educational programs, some of these schools offer special education and/or adult education programs. In addition, the school board provides transportation and school food services for the students.

In April of 1984, the Financial Accounting Foundation established the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to promulgate generally accepted accounting principles and reporting standards with respect to activities and transactions of state and local government entities. The GASB has issued a codification of governmental accounting and financial reporting standards (1997). This codification and subsequent GASB pronouncements are recognized as generally accepted accounting principles for state and local government.

A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying financial statements of the Claiborne Parish School Board have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

B. REPORTING ENTITY

As the governing authority of the parish school board, for reporting purposes, the Claiborne Parish School Board is considered a separate financial reporting entity. The financial reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government (school board), (b) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (c) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

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GASB Statement No. 14 establishes criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the Claiborne Parish School Board for financial reporting purposes. The basic criteria for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

- 1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and;
 - a. The ability of the school board to impose its will on that organization and/or;
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the school board.
- 2. Organizations for which the school board does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the school board.
- 3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Based on the previous criteria, the school board has determined that there are no component units that are part of the reporting entity.

C. FUND ACCOUNTING

The school board uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures or expenses, as appropriate. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities (general fixed assets and general long-term obligations) that are not recorded in the "funds" because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources. They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position, not with the measurement of results of operations.

Homer, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

Funds are classified into three categories; governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types". Governmental funds are used to account for a government's general activities, where the focus of attention is on the providing of services to the public as opposed to proprietary funds where the focus of attention is on recovering the cost of providing services to the public or other agencies through service charges or user fees. Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held for others. The school board's current operations require the use of the governmental and fiduciary fund categories. The fund types used by the school board are described as follows:

Governmental Fund Type:

General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the school board. It accounts for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Special Revenue Funds

The special revenue funds account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources, such as state and federal grants, which are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital Projects Funds

The capital projects funds account for financial resources received and used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital facilities not reported in the other governmental funds.

Debt Service Funds

The debt service funds account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs.

Fiduciary Fund Type - Agency Funds

Agency funds account for assets held in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency funds

Homer, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

D. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The Statement of Net Assets (Statement A) and the Statement of Activities (Statement B) display information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the school board, except for the fiduciary fund. Fiduciary funds are reported only in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets at the fund financial statement level.

The GWFS were prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed). Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions.

Program Revenues - Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities (Statement B) derive directly from parties outside the school board's taxpayers or citizenry, as a whole; program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the school board's general revenues.

Allocation of Indirect Expenses - The school board reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities (Statement B). Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Indirect expenses of other functions are not allocated to those functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense, which can be specifically identified by function, is included in the direct expenses of each function. Depreciation on buildings is assigned to the "general administration" function due to the fact that school buildings serve multiple purposes. Interest on general long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities.

Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

Governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities

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are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

Fund financial statements report detailed information about the school board. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column.

Governmental funds and the agency funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The school board considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest and principal payments on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and certain compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

Revenues

Federal and state entitlements (which include state equalization and state revenue sharing) are recorded as unrestricted grants-in-aid when available and measurable. Expenditure-driven federal and state grants are recorded as restricted grants-in-aid when the reimbursable expenditures have been incurred.

Ad valorem taxes are recorded in the year the taxes are due and payable. Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis, become due on November 15 of each year, and become delinquent on December 31. The taxes are generally collected in December, January, and February of the fiscal year.

Interest earnings are recorded when the investments have matured and the interest is available.

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Revenues from rentals, leases, and oil royalties are recorded when earned.

Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

Expenditures

Salaries are recorded as expenditures when earned by employees. Teacher's salaries are earned over a nine-month period but are paid over a twelve-month period.

Purchases of various operating supplies, etc. are recorded as expenditures when the related fund liability is incurred.

Compensated absences are recognized as expenditures when leave is actually taken or when employees, or their heirs, are paid for accrued leave upon retirement or death.

Principal and interest on long-term debt are recognized when due.

Other Financing Sources (Uses)

Transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid and sale of fixed assets are accounted for as other financing sources (uses). These other financing sources (uses) are recognized at the time the underlying events occur.

E. ENCUMBRANCES

Encumbrance accounting is not employed, however, outstanding purchase orders are taken into consideration before expenditures are incurred in order to assure that applicable appropriations are not exceeded.

F. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Under state law, the school board may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana.

Homer, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

At June 30, 2004, the school board has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$4,044,625, as follows:

Demand deposits	\$3,844,625
Time deposits	200,000
Total	\$4,044,625

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Cash and cash equivalents (bank balances) at June 30, 2004, are secured as follows:

Bank Balances	<u>\$5,372,763</u>
Federal deposit insurance Pledged securities (uncollateralized)	\$557,902 7,925,744
Total	\$8,483,646

Because the pledged securities are held by a custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank rather than in the name of the school board, they are considered uncollateralized (Category 3) under the provisions of GASB Codification C20.106; however, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the school board that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. Further, LRS 39:1224 states that securities held by a third party shall be deemed to be held in the school board's name.

G. INVESTMENTS

Investments held at June 30, 2004 consist of \$5,204,851 in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP), a local government investment pool. In accordance with GASB Codification Section 150.126, the investment in LAMP at June 30, 2004 is not categorized in the three risk categories provided by GASB Codification Section 150.125 because the investment is in the pool of funds and therefore not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form.

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LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LSA-R.S. 33:2955. Accordingly, LAMP investments are restricted to securities issued, guaranteed, or backed by the U.S. Treasury, the U.S. Government, or one of its agencies, enterprises, or instrumentalities, as well as repurchase agreements collateralized by those securities.

Effective August 1, 2001, LAMP's investment guidelines were amended to permit the investment in government-only money market funds. In its 2001 Regular Session, the Louisiana Legislature (Senate Bill No. 512, Act 701) enacted LSA-R.S. 33:2955(A)(1)(h) which allows all municipalities, parishes, school boards, and any other political subdivisions of the State to invest in "investment grade (A-1/P-1) commercial paper of domestic United States corporations." Effective October 1, 2001, LAMP's Investment Guidelines were amended to allow the limited investment in A-1 or A-1+ commercial paper.

The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances. The investments in LAMP are stated at fair value based on quoted market rates. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

LAMP, Inc. is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and the board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company.

The remaining \$2,742,679 of investments consist of U.S. Government securities. For the year ended June 30, 2004, the school board recognized an unrealized gain of \$6,358, on those securities.

H. INVENTORY

Inventory of the School Lunch Special Revenue Fund consists of food purchased by the school board and commodities granted by the United States Department of Agriculture through the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry. The commodities are recorded as revenues when received; however, all inventory items are recorded as expenses when consumed. All inventory items purchased are valued at the

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lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market, and commodities are assigned values based on information provided by the United States Department of Agriculture.

I. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The school board maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 or more for capitalizing assets except for capital asset acquisitions acquired with 8g federal grant funds.

Capital assets are recorded in the GWFS, but are not reported in the FFS. Since surplus assets are sold for an immaterial amount when declared as no longer needed for public school purposes by the school board, no salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Description	Estimated Lives	
Buildings and building improvements	20 - 40 years	
Furniture and fixtures	5 - 10 years	
Vehicles	5 - 15 years	
Equipment	5 - 20 years	

J. RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

For government-wide statement of net assets, net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net asset use are either:

- 1. externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; and
- 2. imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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K. FUND EQUITY

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

L. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed. Nonrecurring or nonroutine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transactions are reported as transfers.

M. ESTIMATES

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

N. VACATION, SICK, AND SABBATICAL LEAVE

All twelve month employees earn from 12 to 18 days of vacation leave each year, depending upon length of service with the school board. Vacation leave can be accumulated. Upon separation, all unused vacation leave is forfeited.

All school board employees earn from 10 to 18 days of sick leave each year that can be accumulated without limitation. Upon retirement or death, employees or their heirs are paid for up to 25 days of accumulated sick leave at the employee's current rate of pay. Under the Louisiana Teachers Retirement System, all accumulated sick leave, excluding the 25 days paid to the teacher, is used in the retirement benefit computation as earned service. Under the Louisiana School Employees Retirement System, all accumulated sick leave, excluding the 25 days paid to the employee, is used in the retirement benefit computation as earned service.

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Sabbatical leave may be granted for rest and recuperation and for professional and cultural improvement. Any employee with a teaching certificate is entitled, subject to approval by the school board, to one semester of sabbatical leave after three years of continuous service or two semesters of sabbatical leave after six or more years of continuous service. Sabbatical leave benefits are recorded as expenditures in the period paid.

The entire compensated absence liability, determined in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement 16, is reported on the government-wide financial statements. For governmental fund financial statements, the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount that is normally expected to be paid using expendable available financial resources. These amounts are recorded in the account "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported.

O. RISK MANAGEMENT

The school board is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and injuries to employees. To handle such risk of loss, the school board maintains commercial insurance policies covering; automobile liability and medical payments; workers compensation; general liability; errors and omissions; and surety bond coverage on the superintendent. No claims were paid on any of the policies during the past three years which exceeded the policies' coverage amounts.

P. SALES TAX

On January 21, 1978, the voters of Claiborne Parish approved the assessment of a one per cent sales tax. The net revenues from the tax, which may be used for any school purpose, are used to supplement salaries and related benefits of school board employees. The tax is collected by the school board and has no expiration date.

Claiborne Parish voters, on September 21, 1996, approved the assessment of a one per cent sales tax, to be effective January 1, 1997. Net revenues from the tax are dedicated fifty per cent to provide a source of funding for salaries and benefits for the employees of the school board, and fifty per cent for the general fund. The tax is collected by the school board and is for a period of five years.

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2. LEVIED TAXES

The following is a summary of authorized and levied ad valorem tax millage for the year ended June 30, 2004:

	Authorized	Levied	Expiration
	Millage	Millage	Date
Parish wide taxes:			
Constitutional	5.00	6.29	Indefinite
Maintenance	5.44	6.11	2005
Maintenance	5.44	6.11	2005
District taxes:			
Special revenue funds:			
District No. 1	4.25	4.06	2012
District No. 11	3.60	4.41	2006
District No. 13	12.66	11.87	2012
District No. 16	4.00	5.00	2009
District No. 26	10.00	11.11	2011
Debt service funds:			
District No. 1	Variable	4.08	2005
District No. 11	Variable	31.50	2002
District No. 13	Variable	35.42	2007

The difference between authorized and levied millage is the result of reassessments of taxable property as required by Article 7, Section 18(f) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974

The following are the principal taxpayers for the parish and their 2003 assessed valuations.

	2003	Percent of
	Assessed	Total
	Valuation	Assessed
Texas Gas Transmission Corporation	\$4,403,180	5.15%
Ludlow Corporation	3,613,020	4.23%
Marathon Oil Company	3,238,580	3.79%
Duke Entergy Field Services, Inc.	2,628,070	3.07%
Entergy Louisiana, Inc.	1,692,740	1.98%
Hunt Oil Company	1,687,840	1.97%
Reliant Energy Transmission	1,658,280	1.94%
Claiborne Electric Co-op., Inc.	1,544,330	1.81%
BellSouth Telecommunications	1,450,560	1.70%
Claiborne Electric Co-op., Inc.	1,544,330	1.81%
XTO Energy	1,311,940	1.53%
Total	\$24,772,870	28.98%

Homer, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

3. RECEIVABLES

The receivables at June 30, 2004, are as follows:

	General	Special Revenue	
Class of Receivable	Fund	Funds	Total
Grants	-		
Federal	\$138,798	\$493,611	\$632,409
State	322,470		322,470
Other receivables	_170,000		170,000
Total	\$631,268	<u>\$4</u> 93,611	<u>\$1,124,879</u>

4. **DUE FROM/TO OTHER FUNDS**

Individual balances due from/to other funds at June 30, 2004, are as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	Due From Other Funds	Due To Other Funds
General Fund	\$1,014,144	\$48,044
Special revenue funds:	•	·
District 11 Maintenance		220,000
Maintenance Fund	220,000	
Title I		289,076
Title I Carryover		61,960
Title VI		87,000
Title Π		100,000
Drug-Free Schools	134	29,157
Special Education		170,000
Vocational Programs		44,245
School Lunch	27,402	137,510
Adult Education		9,513
Preschool - Federal		26,000
Starting Points	2,285	29,043
Total	\$1,263,965	\$1,251,548

Homer, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the year ended June 30,2004, is as follows:

	Balance at			Balance
	July 1, 2003	Additions	Deletions	June 30, 2004
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$96,923			\$96,923
Construction in progress	8,017,796	\$5,621,496		13,639,292
Total capital assets not being depreciated	8,114,719	_5,621,496	NONE	13,736,215
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Building and improvements	6,608,012	91,112		6,699,124
Equipment and furniture	3,168,554	315,638	<u>(\$19,071)</u>	3,465,121
Total assets being depreciated	9,776,566	406,750	(19,071)	10,164,245
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Building and improvements	5,237,434	91,501		5,328,935
Equipment and furniture	2,048,679	247,720	(14,591)	2,281,808
Total accumulated depreciation	7,286,113	339,221	(14,591)	7,610,743
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	2,490,453	67,529	(4,480)	2,553,502
Total capital assets net	<u>\$10,605,172</u>	\$5,689,025	(\$4,480)	<u>\$16,289,717</u>

Depreciation expense of \$339,221, for the year ended June 30, 2004 was charged to the following functions:

<u>Function</u>	Depreciation Expense
Regular programs	\$13,593
Special programs	29,714
Special education programs	412
Vocational programs	27,752
Adult Education programs	5,402
Other instructional programs	4,052
Pupil support services	325
Instructional staff support	17,699
General administration	1,991
School administration	2,776
Operation and maintenance of plant services	45,342
Student transportation services	154,943
Food services	35,220
Total	\$339,221

Homer, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

6. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

Substantially all employees of the school board are members of two statewide retirement systems. In general, professional employees (such as teachers and principals) and lunchroom workers are members of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; other employees such as custodial personnel and bus drivers, are members of the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System. These systems are cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans administered by separate boards of trustees. Pertinent information relative to each plan follows:

A. TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF LOUISIANA (TRS)

The TRS provides retirement benefits as well as disability and survivor benefits. Ten years of service credit is required to become vested for retirement benefits and five years to become vested for disability and survivor benefits. Benefits are established and amended by state statute. The TRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the TRS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana, Post Office Box 94123, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9123, or by calling (504) 925-6446.

Plan members are required to contribute 8.0 percent, 9.1 percent, and 5.0 percent of their annual covered salary for the Regular Plan, Plan A, and Plan B, respectively. The school board is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 13.10 percent of annual covered payroll for all three membership plans. Member contributions and employer contributions for the TRS are established by state law and rates are established by the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee. The school board's employer contribution for the TRS, as provided by state law, is funded by the State of Louisiana through annual appropriations, by deductions from local ad valorem taxes, and by remittances from the school board.

The school board's contributions to the TRS for the years ending June 30, 2004, 2003, and 2002, were \$1,626,865, \$1,791,246, and \$1,368,776, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

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B. LOUISIANA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LSERS)

The LSERS provides retirement benefits as well as disability and survivor benefits. Ten years of service credit is required to become vested for retirement benefits and five years to become vested for disability and survivor benefits.

Benefits are established and amended by state statute. The LSERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the LSERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement system, Post Office Box 44516, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804, or by calling (504) 925-6484.

Plan members are required to contribute 7.5 percent of their annual covered salary and the school board is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 7.5 percent of annual covered payroll. Member contributions and employer contributions for the LSERS are established by state law and rates are established by the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee. The school board's employer contribution for the LSERS is funded by the State of Louisiana through annual appropriations.

The school board's contributions to the LSERS for the years ending June 30, 2004, 2003, and 2002, were \$83,696, \$78,290, and \$72,657, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

7. POST RETIREMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

The Claiborne Parish School Board provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. Substantially all of the school board's employees become eligible for these benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the school board. These benefits for retirees and similar benefits for active employees are provided through the State Employees Group Benefits Program, whose monthly premiums are paid jointly by the employee and by the school board. The school board recognizes the cost of providing these benefits (the board's portion of premiums) as an expenditure when the monthly premiums are due, which was \$1,844,553 for 2003-04 fiscal year. Of that amount, \$704,988 was for retiree benefits. As of June 30, 2004 all eligible retirees are participating.

8. CHANGES IN AGENCY FUNDS DEPOSITS DUE OTHERS

A summary of changes in the agency funds deposits due others follows:

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	Sales Tax Fund	School Activity	Total
Balance at July 1, 2003	NONE	\$405,308	\$405,308
Additions	\$3,132,808	835,157	3,967,965
Reductions	(3,132,808)	(809,956)	(3,942,764)
Balance at June 30, 2004	NONE	\$430,509	\$430,509

9. CHANGES IN LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The following is a summary of long-term obligation transactions for the year ended June 30, 2004:

	Bonded Debt	Compensated Absences	Total
Long-term obligations at			
July 1, 2003	\$16,290,909	\$555,950	\$16,846,859
Additions		390,416	390,416
Retirements	(602,273)	(493,672)	(1,095,945)
Long-term obligations at			
June 30, 2004	\$15,688,636	\$452,694	<u>\$16,141,330</u>

The following is a summary of the current (due in one year or less) and the long-term (due in more than one year) portions of long-term obligations as of June 30, 2004:

	Bonded Debt	Compensated Absences	Total
Current portion	\$572,273		\$572,273
Long-term portion	15,116,363	\$452,694	15,569,057
Total	\$15,688,636	<u>\$452,694</u>	\$16,141,330

General obligation bonds payable at June 30, 2004, are comprised of the following individual issues:

\$8,100,000 - 2001 bonds for new construction and renovation of existing facilities. Principal is due in annual installments of \$120,000 to \$660,000 through March 2021. Interest rates are not to exceed 7%. Debt payments are made from School District No. 11 Debt Service Fund.

\$7,475,000

Homer, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

\$375,000 - 2002 bonds for maintenance of facilities. Principal is due in annual installments of \$27,273 to \$136,364 through November, 2015. The bonds are part of the Louisiana Qualified Zone Academy Bond Program sponsored by the State and are non interest bearing. Debt payments are made from the Parish Wide Maintenance Fund.

\$313,636

\$8,400,000 - 2002 bonds for remodeling/construction of Homer High School. Principal is due in annual installments of \$240,000 to \$650,000 through March 2022. Interest rate is variable. Debt payments are made from School District No. 13 Debt Service Fund.

7,900,000

Total general obligation bonds

\$15,688,636

The school board has accumulated \$676,429 in debt service funds to service the general obligation bonds. The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation bonds outstanding at June 30, 2004, including interest of \$7,612,290, are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2005	\$1,316,130
2006	1,291,005
2007	1,294,450
2008	1,299,033
2009-2013	6,609,856
2014-2018	6,722,664
2019-2021	4,767,788
Total	<u>\$23,300,926</u>

General obligation bonds are secured by an annual ad valorem tax levy. In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 39:562, the school board is restricted from incurring long-term bonded debt in excess of 50 per cent of the assessed value of taxable property in the parish or district. The school board is within that statutory limitation.

10. DESIGNATION OF FUND BALANCE

The \$549,287 designated for contingencies, represents amounts intended to be used in the event of an emergency requiring expenditures not appropriated in the General Fund and for general liability expenses not covered by insurance. The following is a summary of transactions relating to the designated fund balances for the year ended June 30, 2004:

	Contingencies	Rooming
Balance at July 1, 2003	\$542,384	\$110,759
Additions - Interest earnings	6,903	
Balance at June 30, 2004	<u>\$549,287</u>	\$110,759

Homer, Louisiana Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

11. LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

The school board is not involved in any litigation at June 30, 2004. In addition, the school board's legal counsel is not aware of any unasserted claims.

12. CORRECTION OF PRIOR YEAR NET ASSETS

The beginning balance for net assets on the Statement of Activities (Statement B) has been restated for a change in prior year fixed assets as follows:

Net assets as previously reported	\$10,263,254
Correction to prior year fixed assets (net)	90,727
Beginning net assets restated (Statement B)	<u>\$10,353,981</u>

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

PART II

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE (GAAP BASIS)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	ORIGINAL	FINAL		VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET FAVORABLE
	BUDGET	BUDGET	ACTUAL	(UNFAVORABLE)
REVENUES				
Local sources:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem	\$927,442	\$927,442	\$908,424	(\$19,018)
Sales and use	2,207,500	2,371,000	2,435,566	64,566
Earnings on investments	91,500	67,630	63,452	(4,178)
Other local sources	281,666	269,231	325,154	55,923
State sources:				
State revenue sharing	67,500	67,500	71,205	3,705
Unrestricted grants-in-aid	13,042,631	13,025,452	13,079,889	54,437
Restricted grants-in-aid	800,798	881,566	495,361	(386,205)
Federal sources:				
Unrestricted grants-in-aid	58,000	62,076	62,076	
Restricted grants-in-aid			254,660	254,660
Total revenues	17,477,037	17,671,897	17,695,787	23,890
EXPENDITURES				
Education:				
Instruction:				
Regular programs	8,003,855	8,622,295	8,393,872	228,423
Special programs	399,207	404,838	197,947	206,891
Special education programs	2,234,891	2,097,660	2,321,053	(223,393)
Adult and continuing education				
programs	94,170	79,115	71,619	7,496
Vocational programs	605,364	576,372	556,170	20,202
Other instructional programs	453,167	413,290	385,622	27,668
Support services:				
Pupil support services	584,986	616,877	620,843	(3,966)
Instructional staff support	937,259	1,050,693	987,129	63,564
General administration	535,335	587,999	532,799	55,200
School administration	1,282,929	1,175,897	1,206,899	(31,002)
Business services	245,496	243,480	209,070	34,410
Operation and maintenance of plant				
services	1,102,510	1,178,749	1,158,374	20,375
Student transportation services	1,033,710	977,460	871,099	106,361
Food services	259,977	292,680	241,139	51,541

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Homer, Louisiana GENERAL FUND

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE (GAAP BASIS)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

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ORIGINAL BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE WITH FINAL BUDGET FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
4.0.00		70.004	
•	*	,	\$1,814
13,308	18,445	· ·	(359)
17.700.164	10.247.650		(154,828)
17,799,164	18,347,650	17,937,253	410,397
(322,127)	(675,753)	(241,466)	434,287
70,000	2,654 70,000	5,503 70,615 (928)	2,849 615 (928)
70,000	72,654	75,190	1,921
(252,127)	(603,099)	(166,276)	436,823
5,450,020	5,450,020	5,278,593	(171,427)
\$5,197,893	\$4,846,921	\$5,112,317	\$265,396
	ORIGINAL BUDGET \$13,000 13,308 17,799,164 (322,127) 70,000 70,000 (252,127) 5,450,020	ORIGINAL BUDGET \$13,000 \$11,800 13,308 18,445 17,799,164 18,347,650 (322,127) (675,753) 2,654 70,000 70,000 70,000 72,654 (252,127) (603,099) 5,450,020 5,450,020	ORIGINAL BUDGET FINAL BUDGET ACTUAL \$13,000 \$11,800 \$9,986 13,308 18,445 18,804 154,828 154,828 17,799,164 18,347,650 17,937,253 17,99,164 18,347,650 17,937,253 (322,127) (675,753) (241,466) 2,654 5,503 70,000 70,615 (928) 70,000 70,615 70,000 72,654 75,190 (252,127) (603,099) (166,276) 5,450,020 5,450,020 5,278,593

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CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana GENERAL FUND NOTES TO BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

Preliminary budgets for the ensuring year are prepared by the business manager and made available for public inspection and comments from the taxpayers at the school board office during August. At a board meeting in September, a public hearing is held and the proposed budgets are legally adopted by the school board. The budgets, which include proposed expenditures and the means of financing them, are published in the official journal at least 15 days prior to the public hearings.

The school board adopted budgets for the General Fund and all special revenue funds. Budgets are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. All appropriations lapse at year end and must be reappropriated during the following year to be expended. Encumbrances are not recognized within the accounting records for budgetary control purposes. Formal budget integration (within the accounting records) is employed as a management control device. The superintendent of schools is authorized to transfer amounts between line items within any fund. However when actual revenues within a fund fail to meet budgeted revenues by five per cent or more and/or actual expenditures within a fund exceed budgeted expenditures by five per cent or more, a budget amendment is adopted by the school board in an open meeting. Budget amounts included in the accompanying financial statements include the original adopted budget and all subsequent amendments.

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SCHEDULES REQUIRED BY STATE LAW (R.S. 24:514 - PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICAL DATA)

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Independent Accountants' Report On Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

To the Superintendent Claiborne Parish School Board

I have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of Claiborne Parish School Board and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist users in evaluating management's assertions about the performance and statistical data accompanying the annual financial statements of Claiborne Parish School Board and to determine whether the specified schedules are free of obvious errors and omissions as provided by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE). This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of Government Auditing Standards. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, I make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Our procedures and findings relate to the accompanying schedules of supplemental information and are as follows:

General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources (Schedule 2)

1. I selected a random sample of 25 transactions and reviewed supporting documentation to determine if the sampled expenditures/revenues are classified correctly and are reported in the proper amounts for each of the following amounts reported on the schedule:

Total General Fund Instructional Expenditures,
Total General Fund Equipment Expenditures,
Total Local Taxation Revenue,
Total Local Earnings on Investment in Real Property,
Total State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes,
Nonpublic Textbook Revenue, and
Nonpublic Transportation Revenue.

I noted no instances of expenditures/revenues not classified correctly.

Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures June 30, 2004

Education Levels of Public School Staff (Schedule 3)

- 2. I reconciled the total number of full-time classroom teachers per the schedule "Experience of Public Principals and Full-time Classroom Teachers" (Schedule 5) to the combined total number of full-time classroom teachers per this schedule and to school board supporting payroll records as of October 1st.
- 3. I reconciled the combined total of principals and assistant principals per the schedule "Experience of Public Principals and Full-time Classroom Teachers" (Schedule 5) to the combined total of principals and assistant principals per this schedule.
- 4. I obtained a list of full-time teachers, principals, and assistant principals by classification as of October 1st and as reported on the schedule. I traced a random sample of 25 teachers to the individual's personnel file and determined if the individual's education level was properly classified on the schedule.

The described procedures produced no exceptions.

Number and Type of Public Schools (Schedule 4)

5. I obtained a list of schools by type as reported on the schedule. I compared the list to the schools and grade levels as reported on the Title 1 Grants to Local Educational Agencies (CFDA 84.010) application and/or the National School Lunch Program (CFDA 10.555) application.

I noted no discrepancies in the information provided on the Title 1 Grant Application and the actual number and type of schools in Claiborne Parish.

Experience of Public Principals and Full-time Classroom Teachers (Schedule 5)

6. I obtained a list of full-time teachers, principals, and assistant principals by classification as of October 1 and as reported on the schedule and traced the same sample used in procedure 4 to the individual's personnel file and determined if the individual's experience was properly classified on the schedule.

I noted no exceptions in experience of public principals and full-time classroom teachers as reported by Claiborne Parish School Board.

Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures June 30, 2004

Public Staff Data (Schedule 6)

- 7. I obtained a list of all classroom teachers including their base salary, extra compensation, and ROTC or rehired retiree status as well as full-time equivalent as reported on the schedule and traced a random sample of 25 teachers to the individual's personnel file and determined if the individual's salary, extra compensation, and full-time equivalents were properly included on the schedule.
- 8. I recalculated the average salaries and full-time equivalents reported in the schedule.

The described procedures produced no exceptions.

Class Size Characteristics (Schedule 7)

9. I obtained a list of classes by school, school type, and class size as reported on the schedule and reconciled school type classifications to Schedule 4 data, as obtained in procedure 5. I then traced a random sample of 10 classes to the October 1st roll books for those classes and determined if the class was properly classified on the schedule.

No exceptions were noted in the procedures applied to Schedule 7.

Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP) for the 21st Century (Schedule 8)

10. I obtained test scores as provided by the testing authority and reconciled scores as reported by the testing authority to scores reported in the schedule by Claiborne Parish School Board.

I noted no exceptions in the available test scores as reported in the schedule and test scores reported by the testing authority.

The Graduation Exit Exam for the 21st Century (Schedule 9)

11. I obtained test scores as provided by the testing authority and reconciled scores as reported by the testing authority to scores reported in the schedule by Claiborne Parish School Board.

I noted no exceptions in the available test scores as reported in the schedule and test scores reported by the testing authority.

Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures June 30, 2004

The Iowa Tests (Schedule 10)

12. I obtained test scores as provided by the testing authority and reconciled scores as reported by the testing authority to scores reported in the schedule by Claiborne Parish School Board.

I noted no exceptions in the available test scores as reported in the schedule and test scores reported by the testing authority.

I was not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. Had I performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of Claiborne Parish School Board, the Louisiana Department of Education, the Louisiana Legislature, and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

West Monroe, Louisiana

December 9, 2004

Homer, Louisiana

Schedules Required by State Law (R.S. 24:514 - Performance and Statistical Data) As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2004

Schedule 2 - General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources

This schedule includes general fund instructional and equipment expenditures. It also contains local taxation revenue, earnings on investments, revenue in lieu of taxes, and nonpublic textbook and transportation revenue. This data is used either in the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) formula or is presented annually in the MFP 70% Expenditure Requirement Report.

Schedule 3 - Education Levels of Public School Staff

This schedule includes the certificated and uncertificated number and percentage of full-time classroom teachers and the number and percentage of principals and assistant principal's with less than a Bachelor's; Master's; Master's +30; Specialist in Education; and Ph. D or Ed. D. degrees. This data is currently reported to the Legislature in the Annual Financial and Statistical Report (AFSR).

Schedule 4 - Number and Type of Public Schools

This schedule includes the number of elementary, middle/junior high, secondary and combination schools in operation during the fiscal year. This data is currently reported to the Legislature in the Annual Financial and Statistical Report (AFSR).

Schedule 5 - Experience of Public Teachers and Full-time Classroom Teachers

This schedule includes the number of years of experience in teaching for assistant principals, principals, and full-time classroom teachers. This data is currently reported to the Legislature in the Annual Financial and Statistical Report (AFSR).

Schedule 6 - Public School Staff Data

This schedule includes average classroom teachers salary using full-time equivalents, including and excluding ROTC and rehired retiree teachers. This data is currently reported to the Legislature in the Annual Financial and Statistical Report (AFSR).

Schedule 7 - Class Size Characteristics

This schedule includes the percent and number of classes with student enrollment in the following ranges: 1-20, 21-26, 27-33, and 34+ students. This data is currently reported to the Legislature in the Annual School Report (ASR).

Schedule 8 - Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP)

This schedule represents student performance testing data and includes summary scores by district for grades 4 and 8 in each category tested. Scores are reported as Advanced, Proficient, Basic, Approaching Basic, and Unsatisfactory. This schedule includes three years of data.

Schedule 9 - The Graduation Exit Exam

This schedule represents student performance testing data and includes summary scores by district for grades 10 and 11 in each category tested. Scores are reported as Advanced, Proficient, Basic, Approaching Basic, and Unsatisfactory. This schedule includes three years of data.

Schedule 10 - The IOWA Tests

This schedule represents student performance testing data and includes a summary score for grades 3, 5, 6, 7 and 9 for each district. The summary score reported is the National Percentile Rank showing relative position or rank as compared to a large, representative sample of students in the same grade from the entire nation. This schedule includes three years of data.

NONE

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

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General Fund Instructional and Equipment Expenditures		
General Fund Instructional Expenditures		
Teacher and Student Interaction Activities:		
Classroom Teacher Salaries	\$7,747,269	
Other Instructional Staff Activities	3,004,410	
Employee Benefits	2,508,759	
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	192,697	
Instructional Materials and supplies	302,323	
Instructional Equipment	29,765_	
Total Teacher and Student Interaction Activities		\$13,785,223
Other Instructional Activities		37,199
Pupil Support Activities		622,846
Instructional Staff Services	966,550	
Less: Equipment for Pupil Staff Services	_ (4,720)	
Net Instructional Staff Services		961,830
Total General Fund Instructional Expenditures		\$15,407,098
Total General Fund Equipment Expenditures		\$25,899
Certain Local Revenue Sources		
Local Taxation Revenues:		
Constitutional Ad Valorem Tax		\$427,335
Special Maintenance and Operations Ad Valorem Tax		1,184,380
Debt Service Ad Valorem Tax		1,390,195
Up to 1% Collections by the Sheriff on Taxes		- ,,
Other Than School Taxes		65,983
Sales and Use Taxes		2,435,566
Total Local Taxation Revenue		\$5,503,459
Local Earnings on Investment in Real Property - Other		<u>\$4,</u> 141
State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes		
Revenue Sharing - Constitutional Tax		36,119
Revenue Sharing - Other Taxes		79,532
Total State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes		\$115,651
Nonpublic Textbook Revenue		NONE

Nonpublic Transportation Revenue

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Educational Levels of Public School Staff As of October 1, 2003

	Full	time Class	room Teac	hers	Principals & Assistant Principals					
	Certif	icated	Uncert	ificated	Certif	icated	Uncert	ificated		
Category	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
Less than a Bachelor's Degree										
Bachelor's Degree	113	65.3%	26	100.0%						
Master's Degree	33	19.1%								
Master's Degree + 30	26	15.0%			3	100.0%				
Specialist in Education										
Ph. D. or Ed. D.	1	0.6%								
Total	173	100.0%	26_	100.0%	3_	100.0%	NONE	NONE		

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Number and Type of Public Schools For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

Туре	Number
Elementary	2
Middle/Jr. High	1
High	1
Combination	5
Total	9

Experience of Public Principals and Full Time Classroom Teachers As of October 1, 2003

	0 - 1 Year	2 - 3 Years	4 - 10 Years	11 - 14 Years	15 - 19 Years	20 - 24 Years	25 + Years	Total
Assistant Principals				1			1	2
Principals							1	1
Classroom Teachers	26	22	52	19	12	21	47	199
Total	26	22	52	20	12	21	49	202

Schedule 6

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Public School Staff Data For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	All Classroom Teachers	Classroom Teachers Excluding ROTC and Rehired Retirees
Average Classroom Teacher's Salary		
Including Extra Compensation	\$31,212	\$30,824
Average Classroom Teacher's Salary		
Excluding Extra Compensation	\$30,401	\$30,069
Number of Teacher Full-time Equivalents (FTEs)		
used in Computation of Average Salaries	229	213

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Class Size Characteristics For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP) For the 21st Century
For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

2004 Number Percent	Percent	English Language Arts 2003 Number Percent	uage Arts)3 Percent	2002 Number Percent	2 Percent	2004 Number	Percent	Mathematics 2004 2003 Number Percent Number Percent	natics 03 Percent	2C Number	2002 r Percent
				m	1.3%	S	2.6%		0.4%		
25	12.9%	12	5.1%	21	9.1%	27	13.9%	20	8.5%	16	%6.9
. 62	40.7%	76	41.1%	69	29.9%	70	36.1%	79	33.5%	55	23.8%
52	26.8%	80	33.9%	68	38.5%	42	21.6%	69	29.2%	06	39.0%
38	19.6%	47	19.9%	49	21.2%	50	25.8%	67	28.4%	70	30.3%
194	_	236	100.0%	231	231 100.0%	194	194 100.0%		236 100.0%	231	100.0%

	2002	Number Percent Number Percent Number Percent			4 1.7%	78 33.8%	76 32.9%	73 31.6%	231 100.0%
udies	3	Percent			3.0%	38.7%	38.3%	20.0%	235 100.0%
Social Studies	2003	Number			7	91	06	47	235
	4	Percent		2 0.0103	0.0825	0.35567	66 0.34021	41 0.21134	194 100.0%
	2004	Number		2	16	69	99	41	194
	6)	Percent		%6.0	6.5%	33.2%	34.9%	24.6%	100.0%
	2002	Number Percent		2	15	77	81	57	232
*					5.1%	26.4%	51.5%	17.0%	100.0%
Science	2003	Number Percent			12	62	121	40	235
		- 1		1.0%	7.7%	37.6%	42.3%	22 11.3%	100.0%
	2004	Number Percent		2	15	73	82	22	194
1.4	District Achievement Level Results	Students	Grade 4	Advanced	Mastery	Basic	Approaching Basic	Jnsatisfactory	Total

CLAIBORNE SCHOOL BOARD Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP) For the 21st Century For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

atics	2002	Percent Number Percent		1.0% 1 0.5%	5.8% 4 1.9%	35.0% 82 38.0%	27.2% 60 27.8%	31.1% 69 31.9%	100.0% 216 100.0%
Mathematics	2003	Number Percent		2	12	72	99	64	206
	40	Percent		%6'0	4.8%	42.3%	26.4%	25.6%	100.0%
	2004	Percent Number Percent Number Percent		2	11	96	09	58	227
	02	Percent			10.5%	28.1%	51.0%	10.5%	100.0%
	2002	Number			22	59	107	22	210
iguage Arts)3	Percent		0.5%	8.7%	31.6%	42.7%	16.5%	100.0%
English Language Arts	2003	Number			18	65	88	34	206
	94	Number Percent			5.3%	27.8%	42.3%	24.7%	227 100.0%
	2004	Nunber			12	63	96	56	227
District Achievement	Level Results	Students	Grade 8	Advanced	Mastery	Basic	Approaching Basic	Unsatisfactory	Total

CLAIBORNE SCHOOL BOARD GEE Test Results For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

District Achievement		En	glish Lai	nguage A	urts				Mathe	ematics		
Level Results	20	04	20	003	20	002	20	04	20	03	20	002
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All Testers												
Advanced	2	1.1%	1	0.5%	1	0.6%	9	5.0%	6	3.1%	1	0.6%
Mastery	20	10.9%	14	7.1%	15	8.6%	24	13.3%	19	9.9%	12	6.7%
Basic	71	38.8%	64	32.7%	64	36.8%	74	40.9%	61	31.8%	58	32.6%
Approaching Basic	60	32.8%	52	26.5%	45	25.9%	31	17.1%	37	19.3%	29	16.3%
Unsatisfactory	30	16.4%	65	33.2%	49	28.2%	43	23.8%	69	35.9%	78	43.8%
Total	183	100.0%	196	100.0%	174	100.0%	181	100.0%	192	100.0%	178	100.0%

District Achievement			Scie	ence					Social	Studies		
Level Results	20	04	20	003	20	002	20	04	20	03	20	002
Students	Number	Percent										
All Testers												
Advanced	2	1.3%			2	1.4%			1	0.6%		
Mastery	15	9.9%	10	7.2%	16	11.4%	8	5.3%	13	7.4%	4	2.9%
Basic	64	42.1%	45	32.4%	50	35.7%	81	53.3%	67	38.1%	61	43.6%
Approaching Basic	52	34.2%	41	29.5%	30	21.4%	40	26.3%	53	30.1%	36	25.7%
Unsatisfactory	19	12.5%	43	30.9%	42	30.0%	23	15.1%	42	23.9%	39	27.9%
Total	152	100.0%	139	100.0%	140	100.0%	152	100.0%	176	100.0%	140	100.0%

Schedule 10

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Iowa Basic Skills Comparison For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

	(Composite		
	2004	2003	2002	
Test of Basic Skills (ITBS)				
Grade 3	53	47	36	
Grade 5	42	39	35	
Grade 6	39	32	41	
Grade 7	43	38	37	
Tests of Educational Development (ITED)				
Grade 9	39	41	40	

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS COMBINING BALANCE SHEET

For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	DEBT SERVICE FUNDS	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - DISTRICT 11	TOTAL NONMAJOR GOVERNMENT AL FUNDS
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,050,035	\$604,477	\$217	\$1,654,729
Investments	939,775	71,952	3	1,011,730
Receivables	493,611	•		493,611
Due from other funds	249,821			249,821
Inventory	22,333			22,333
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,755,575	\$676,429	\$220	\$3,432,224
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$78,000			\$78,000
Salaries payable	175,369			175,369
Due to other funds	1,203,504			1,203,504
Total Liabilities	1,456,873	NONE	NONE	1,456,873
Fund Equity - fund balances:				
Reserved for debt service		\$676,429		676,429
Unreserved - designated for roofing	110,579			110,579
Unreserved - undesignated	1,188,123		\$220	1,188,343
Total Fund Balances	1,298,702	676,429	220	1,975,351
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND				
FUND EQUITY	\$2,755,575	\$676,429	\$220	\$3,432,224

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	DEBT SERVICE FUNDS	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - DISTRICT 11	TOTAL NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
REVENUES				
Local sources:				
Ad valorem taxes	\$769,274	\$1,390,195		\$2,159,469
Food service	205,495			205,495
Earnings on investments	14,828	3,281	\$2,974	21,083
State sources:				
State revenue sharing	44,446			44,446
Unrestricted grants-in-aid	103,329			103,329
Federal sources -				
Restricted grants-in-aid	2,864,346			2,864,346
Total revenues	4,001,718	1,393,476	2,974	5,398,168
EXPENDITURES				
Education:				
Instruction:				
Regular programs	27,781			27,781
Special programs	1,070,772			1,070,772
Special education programs	43,599			43,599
Adult and continuing education programs	36,382			36,382
Vocational programs	43,055			43,055
Support services:				,
Pupil support	14,940			14,940
Instructional staff support	511,087			511,087
General administration	28,655	48,057	2,000	78,712
School administration	40,627			40,627
Plant services	776,138			776,138
Student transportation services	80,399			80,399
Food services	1,298,313			1,298,313
Capital outlay	591,011		869,424	1,460,435
Debt service	20,455	1,331,568		1,352,023
Total expenditures	4,583,214	1,379,625	871,424	6,834,263
EXCESS OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	(581,496)	13,851	(868,450)	(1,436,095)

(Continued)

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	DEBT SERVICE FUNDS	CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - DISTRICT 11	TOTAL NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
OTHER FINANCING USES Operating transfers out	(\$69,687)	NONE	NONE	(\$69,687)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(651,183)	\$13,851	(\$868,450)	(1,505,782)
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,949,885	662,578	868,670	3,481,133
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	\$1,298,702	<u>\$676,429</u>	\$220_	\$1,975,351

(Concluded)

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES As of and For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS:

MAINTENANCE FUNDS

The Parish wide Maintenance Fund is financed by a Parish wide ad valorem tax levy to provide additional support to operate and maintain all school facilities in the parish. Districts No. 11, No. 13, No. 16 and No. 26, Maintenance Funds are financed by an ad valorem tax levy for each district, which provides additional funds to operate and maintain school facilities in the respective districts.

IMPROVING AMERICA'S SCHOOL ACT

Title I

Title I of the Improving America's School Act (IASA) is a program designed to improve the teaching and learning of children who are at risk of not meeting challenging academic standards and who reside in areas with high concentrations of children from low-income families. The program is federally financed, state-administered, and locally operated by the school board. The activities supplement, rather than replace, state and locally mandated activities.

Title VI

Title VI of the Improving America's School Act (IASA) is a program by which the federal government provides funds to the school board to a) assist local educational reform efforts, b) to support efforts to accomplish the National Education Goals, c) to implement promising educational reform programs, d) to provide a continuing source of innovation and educational improvement, including support for library services and instructional and media materials, and e) to meet the special educational needs of at-risk and high cost students.

Title II

Title II of the Improving America's School Act (IASA) is a program by which the federal government provides funds to the school board for projects that are designed to improve the skills of teachers and instruction in the areas of mathematics, science, computer learning, and foreign languages and to increase the accessibility of such instruction to all students.

DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS FUND

The Drug-Free Schools Fund is a program by which the federal government provides funds to the school board for the establishment, operation, and improvement of local programs of drug abuse prevention, early intervention, rehabilitation referral, and education in elementary and secondary schools.

SCHOOL LUNCH FUND

The School Lunch Fund accounts for operations of the school cafeterias. Funding is provided by federal and state grants-in-aid and charges for meals served.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND

Special Education Fund of the Handicapped Preschool and School Program is a federally financed program of free education, in the least restrictive environment, for children with exceptionalities.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FUND

The Vocational Education Fund accounts for specific funds received from the Louisiana Department of Education to purchase instructional materials, supplies, and equipment for vocational education programs.

ADULT EDUCATION FUND

The Adult Education Fund accounts for allotments of federal Adult Education State-Administered Program funds from the Louisiana Department of Education to provide adult education programs in the parish.

MEDICAID FUND

The Medicaid Fund accounts for federal and state programs that provide financial assistance and related services to handicapped students.

STARTING POINTS FUND

The Starting Points Fund accounts for from the United States Department of Health and Human Services through the Louisiana Department of Education. The purpose of the program is to provide for early childhood development of at-risk four year old children in full day preschool programs.

PRESCHOOL

Special Education Fund of the Handicapped Preschool and School Program is a federally financed program of free education, in the least restrictive environment, for children with exceptionalities.

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
Homer, Louisiana
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Combining Balance Sheet, June 30, 2004

Σ	ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Investments Receivables Due from other funds	TOTAL ASSETS	LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY Liabilities: Accounts payable Salaries payable Due to other funds	Fund Equity - fund balances: Unreserved - designated for roofing Unreserved - undesignated Total Fund Equity	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY
MAINTENANCE FUNDS	\$428.167 939,775 220,000	\$1,587,942 \$543,738	\$53,344 220,000 - 220,000	110,579 1,204,019 1,314,598	\$1,587,942 \$543,738
IASA FUNDS	397,887	\$543,738	\$24,559 71,558 567,193	(272,911)	\$543,738
SCHOOL	\$232,916 27,402 22,333	\$282,651	\$65,391	79,750	\$282,651
SPECIAL	\$120.150	\$195,707	\$97 25,661 170,000	(51)	\$195,707
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION	\$37,401	\$44,408	\$44,245	163	\$44,408
ADULT EDUCATION	\$6,738	\$11,713	\$6,327	(4,127) (4,127)	\$11,713
MEDICAID	\$27,987	\$27,987	Lincox	\$27,987	\$27,987
STARTING	\$33,190	\$35,475	\$6,432	NONE	\$35,475
PRESCHOOL	\$17,769	\$25,954	\$26,000	(46)	\$25,954
TOTAL	\$1,050,035 939,775 493,611 249,821 22,333	\$2,755,575	\$78,000 175,369 1,203,504	110.579	\$2,755,575

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	MAINTENANCE FUNDS	IASA FUNDS	SCHOOL LUNCH	SPECIAL EDUCATION	VOCATIONAL EDU <u>CATIO</u> N	ADULT EDUCATION	MEDICAID	STARTING POINTS	PRESCHOOL	TOTAL
REVENUES Local sources: Ad valorem taxes Food service	\$769,274		\$205 495							\$769,274
Earnings on investments	13,009		1,597				\$222			14,828
State revenue sharing Unrestricted grants-in-aid	44,446		67,051				36,278			44,446 103,329
Federal sources - Restricted grants-in-aid Total revenues	826,729	\$1,220,614	972,606	\$475,627	\$50,590	\$32,638	36,500	\$62,642	\$49,629	2,864,346
EXPENDITURES Education:										
Regular programs	27,781			0						27,781
Special programs Special education programs		805,912		202,218			4,158	62,642	39,441	1,0/0,//2
Adult and continuing education						36,382				36,382
Vocational programs					43,055					43,055
Support services: Pupil support services		14,940								14,940
Instructional staff support		296,375		209,878		310			4,524	511,087
General administration	26,550				2,105					28,655
School administration	40,627									40,627
Operation and maintenance										
of plant services	642,815	680,86		33,141					2,093	776,138
Student transportation services	76,267			4,132						80,399
Food services			1,298,313							1,298,313
Capital outlay	486,478	72,691	19,267	4,540	5,267		1,468		1,300	591,011
Debt Service	20,455									20,455
Total expenditures	1,320,973	1,288,007	1,317,580	453,909	50,427	36,692	5,626	62,642	47,358	4,583,214

NONE (45,541)	(494,244) (112,934)	(6,638)	\$1,314,598 (\$119,572)
NONE	(70,831)	180,581	\$79,750
(21,769)	(51)	NONE	(\$51)
NONE	163	NONE	\$163
(09)	(4,114)	(13)	(\$4,127)
NONE	30,874	(2,887)	\$27.987
	NONE	NONE	NONE
(2,317)	(46)	NONE	(\$46)
(69,687)	(651,183)	1,949,885	\$1,298,702
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CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS - MAINTENANCE FUNDS

Combining Balance Sheet, June 30, 2004

	PARISH WIDE	DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 11	DISTRICT 13	DISTRICT 16	DISTRICT 26	TOTAL
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ASSETS	E 4 731	ድማን ንንን	\$7.0CC	ድረ የ ጎደብ	Ø160 760	<u> የነበረ ንጎ</u> በ	0400 177
Cash and equivalents	\$4,721	\$72,233	\$7,866	\$68,259	\$168,768	\$106,320	\$428,167
Investments	323,634		46,332	554,553	15,256		939,775
Due from other funds	220,000						220,000
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$548,355</u>	\$72,233	\$54,198	\$622,812	\$184,024	\$106,320	\$1,587,942
LIABILITIES AND							
FUND EQUITY							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$10,673	\$17,644		\$25,027			\$53,344
Due to other funds			\$220,000				220,000
Total Liabilities	10,673	17,644	220,000	25,027_	NONE	NONE	273,344
Fund Equity - fund balances:							
Unreserved - designated for							
roofing				110,579			110,579
Unreserved - undesignated	537,682	54,589	(165,802)	487,206	\$184,024	\$106,320	_1,204,019
Total fund balances	537,682	54,589	(165,802)	597,785	184,024	106,320	1,314,598
TOTAL LIABILITIES							
AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$548,355</u>	\$72,233	<u>\$54,198</u>	\$622,812	\$184,024	<u>\$106,320</u>	\$1,587,942

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS - MAINTENANCE FUNDS

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	PARISH WIDE	DISTRICT	DISTRICT 11	DISTRICT 13	DISTRICT 16	DISTRICT 26	TOTAL
REVENUES							
Taxes - ad valorem	\$415,106	\$37,003	\$97,913	\$117,278	\$63,954	\$38,020	\$769,274
Earnings on investments	4,528		766	6,004	1,071	640	13,009
State revenues	25,439		6,042	12,965			44,446
Total revenues	445,073	37,003	104,721	136,247	65,025	38,660	826,729
EXPENDITURES							
Education:							
Instruction - Regular programs	27,750			31			27,781
Support services:	•						,
General administration	14,334	1,336	3,372	4,060	2,098	1,350	26,550
School administration	40,627						40,627
Plant services	423,097	49,184	6,431	108,104	14,905	41,094	642,815
Student transportation							
services	76,025			242			76,267
Capital outlay	7,066		342,873	134,391	1,098	1,050	486,478
Debt Service					20,455		20,455
Total expenditures	588,899	50,520	352,676	246,828	38,556	43,494	1,320,973
EXCESS (Deficiency) OF						•	
REVENUES OVER							
EXPENDITURES	(143,826)	(13,517)	(247,955)	(110,581)	26,469	(4,834)	(494,244)
Em Empirolado	(1,5,020)	(15,517)	(211,200)	(110,501)	20,.09	(1,051)	(151,2-1-1)
FUND BALANCES AT							
BEGINNING OF YEAR	681,508	68,106	82,153	708,366	157,555	111,154	1,808,842
FUND BALANCES AT							
END OF YEAR	\$537,682	\$54,589	(\$165,802)	\$597,785	\$184,024	<u>\$106,320</u>	\$1,314,598

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS -IMPROVING AMERICA'S SCHOOL ACT FUNDS

Combining Balance Sheet, June 30, 2004

	TITLE I	TITLE I CARRYOVER	TITLE II	TITLE VI	DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS	TOTAL
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$63,871	\$39,624	\$22,566	\$5,573	\$14,083	\$145,717
Receivables	249,611	54,403		78,933	14,940	397,887
Due from other funds				<u>.</u>	134_	134_
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$313,482</u>	\$94,027	\$22,566	\$84,506	\$29,157	\$543,738
LIABILITIES AND						
FUND EQUITY						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable		\$23,065		\$1,494		\$24,559
Salaries payable	\$60,258	1,063	\$10,237			71,558
Due to other funds	289,076	61,960	100,000	<u>87,000</u>	\$29,157	567,193
Total Liabilities	349,334	86,088	110,237	88,494	29,157	663,310
Fund Equity - fund balances -						
unreserved - undesignated	(35,852)	7,939	<u>(87,671)</u>	(3,988)	NONE	(119,572)
TOTAL LIABILITIES						
AND FUND EQUITY	\$313,482	\$94,027	\$22,566	\$84,506	\$29,157	\$543,738

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS -IMPROVING AMERICA'S SCHOOLS ACT FUNDS

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

	TITLE 1	TITLE I CARRYOVER	TITLE II	TITLE VI	DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS	TOTAL
REVENUES						
Federal sources -						
Restricted grants-in-aid	\$792,847	\$146,015	\$123,021	\$143,493	\$15,238	\$1,220,614
EXPENDITURES						
Education:						
Instruction - special programs	682,847	43,065		80,000		805,912
Support services:						
Pupil support					14,940	14,940
Instructional staff support	91,328		205,047			296,375
Plant services	15,958	81,862		269		98,089
Capital outlay		6,087_		66,604		<u>72,691</u>
Total expenditures	790,133	131,014	205,047_	146,873	14,940	_1,288,007
EXCESS OF REVENUES						
OVER EXPENDITURES	2,714	15,001	(82,026)	(3,380)	298	(67,393)
OTHER FINANCING USE						
Operating transfers out	_(33,888)	(5,102)	(5,645)	(608)	(298)	(45,541)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES						
AND OTHER USE	(31,174)	9,899	(87,671)	(3,988)	NONE	(112,934)
FUND BALANCES AT						
BEGINNING OF YEAR	(4,678)	(1,960)	NONE .	NONE	NONE	(6,638)
FUND BALANCES AT						
END OF YEAR	<u>(\$35,852)</u>	\$7,939	(\$87,671)	(\$3,988)	NONE	<u>(\$119,572)</u>

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES As of and For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL DEBT SERVICE FUNDS:

SCHOOL DISTRICTS NO. 1, NO. 11, AND NO. 13 FUNDS

The school district debt service funds accumulate monies for payment of the remaining bonds. The bonds were issued to acquire lands for building sites, to erect and improve school buildings, and to acquire necessary equipment and furnishings. The bonds are financed by special property tax levies on property within the territorial limits of the appropriate school districts.

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DEBT SERVICE FUNDS - SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Combining Balance Sheet, June 30, 2004

	NO. 1	NO. 11	NO. 13	TOTAL
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,050	\$332,328	\$271,099	\$604,477
Investments	59,239	12,713_		71,952
TOTAL ASSETS	\$60,289	\$345,041	\$271,099	\$676,429
		-		
FUND EQUITY				
Fund Equity - fund balances -				
reserved for debt service	\$60,289	\$345,041	\$271,099	<u>\$676,429</u>

Schedule 20

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DEBT SERVICE FUNDS - SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

_	NO. 1	NO. 11	NO. 13	TOTAL
REVENUES				
Local sources:				
Ad valorem taxes		\$699,376	\$690,819	\$1,390,195
Earnings on investments	\$668	1,511	1,102	3,281
Total revenues	668	700,887	691,921	1,393,476
EXPENDITURES				
Support services - general administration		24,087	23,970	48,057
Debt service	55,813	647,270	628,485	1,331,568
Total expenditures	55,813	671,357	652,455	1,379,625
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER	(55,145)	29,530	39,466	13,851
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	115,434	315,511	231,633	662,578
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	\$60,289	\$345,041	\$271,099	\$676,429

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES As of and For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

AGENCY FUNDS

SCHOOL ACTIVITY AGENCY FUND

The School Activity Agency Fund accounts for monies generated by the individual schools and organizations within the schools of the parish. While the school activity accounts are under the supervision of the school board, they belong to the individual schools or their student bodies and are not available for use by the school board.

SALES TAX FUND

The Sales Tax Fund accounts for the collection and distribution of sales taxes by the sales tax department of the Claiborne Parish School Board on behalf of the five taxing authorities located within Claiborne Parish.

Schedule 21

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana SCHOOL ACTIVITY AGENCY FUND

Schedule of Changes in Deposits Due Others For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

SCHOOL	BALANCE JULY 1, 2003	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	BALANCE JUNE 30, 2004
Athens High	\$3,056	\$59,173	(\$47,659)	\$14,570
Haynesville Elementary	14,634	69,448	(61,700)	22,382
Haynesville Junior High	43,066	57,098	(46,603)	53,561
Haynesville High	101,452	133,736	(154,374)	80,814
Homer Elementary	54,197	66,162	(45,982)	74,377
Homer Junior High	42,299	86,215	(70,773)	57,741
Homer High	77,810	169,726	(179,627)	67,909
Pineview High	14,827	96,399	(94,414)	16,812
Summerfield High	53,967	97,200_	(108,824)	42,343
Total	\$405,308	\$835,157	(\$809,956)	\$430,509

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana SALES TAX FUND

Schedule of Changes in Deposit Due Others For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

BALANCE JULY 1, 2003	NONE
ADDITIONS:	
Sales tax collections	\$3,127,941
Interest earned on deposits	4,867
Total additions	3,132,808
SETTLEMENTS:	
School Board General Fund:	
Sales tax	1,194,413
Collections Fees	47,724
Police Jury	486,077
Town of Homer	947,498
Town of Haynesville	398,335
Junction City	58,761_
Total settlements	3,132,808
BALANCE JUNE 30, 2004	NONE

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SCHEDULES For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

COMPENSATION PAID BOARD MEMBERS

The schedule of compensation paid to the school board members is presented in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. Compensation of the school board members is included in the general administrative expenditures of the General Fund. In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 17:56, the school board members have elected the monthly payment method of compensation. Under this method, each member of the school board was entitled to receive \$400 per month.

Schedule 23

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

Schedule of Compensation Paid Board Members For The Year Ended June 30, 2004

Thomas E. Davidson	\$4,800
Stanley Edwards	4,800
B. Stewart Griffin	4,800
Elbert Blake Hemphill	4,800
Danny Lee	4,800
Joe Marlon Lee	4,800
William H. Maddox	4,800
Vera R. Meadors	4,800
A. D. Williams	4,800
Almeter Willis	4,800
Total	\$48,000

Independent Auditors' Reports on Compliance with Laws, Regulations, Contracts, and Grants, and Internal Control

The following independent auditors' reports on compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants and internal control are presented in compliance with the requirements of *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*; the *Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996*; and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, issued by the Society of Louisiana Certified Public Accountants and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.

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Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance and Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

I have audited the financial statements of the Claiborne Parish School Board as of and for the year ended June 30, 2004, and have issued my report thereon dated December 9, 2004. I conducted my audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Claiborne Parish School Board's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed several instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. Those findings are presented in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 04-01 through 04-04.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered the Claiborne Parish School Board's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. I noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that I consider to be material weaknesses.

Homer, Louisiana Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance And Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, etc. June 30, 2004

This report is intended for the information of the members of the Claiborne Parish School Board, management of the school board, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

West Monroe, Louisiana

December 9, 2004

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Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance
With Requirements Applicable to Each Major Program
and Internal Control Over Compliance

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

Compliance

I have audited the compliance of the Claiborne Parish School Board with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2004. Claiborne Parish School Board's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Claiborne Parish School Board. My responsibility is to express an opinion on the Claiborne Parish School Board's compliance based on my audit.

I conducted my audit of compliance in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Claiborne Parish School Board's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as I consider necessary in the circumstances. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion. My audit does not provide a legal determination on the Claiborne Parish School Board's compliance with those requirements.

In my opinion, the Claiborne Parish School Board complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2004. The results of my auditing procedures disclosed no instances of noncompliance with those requirements that are required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

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Program and Internal Control Over Compliance, etc.
June 30, 2004

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Claiborne Parish School Board is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing my audit, I considered Claiborne Parish School Board's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

My consideration of the internal control over compliance would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that noncompliance with applicable requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants that would be material in relation to a major federal program being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. I noted no matters involving the internal control over compliance and its operation that I consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended for the information of the members of the Claiborne Parish School Board, management of the school board, federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

West Monroe, Louisiana

December 9, 2004

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditors' report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of the Claiborne Parish School Board.
- No reportable conditions relating to the audit of the financial statements are reported in the Independent Auditors' Report on Compliance and Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.
- 3. Four instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the Claiborne Parish School Board were disclosed during the audit.
- 4. No reportable conditions relating to the audit of the major federal award programs are reported in the Auditors' Report on Compliance With Requirements Applicable to Each Major Program and Internal Control Over Compliance.
- 5. The auditors' report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the Claiborne Parish School Board expresses an unqualified opinion.
- 6. No audit findings relative to the major federal award programs for the Claiborne Parish School Board are reported.
- 7. The program tested as major was the IASA Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies and IASA Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies Carryover CFDA number 84.010A.
- 8. The threshold for distinguishing Type A and B programs was \$500,000.
- 9. The Claiborne Parish School Board was determined to be a low-risk auditee.

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

04-01 Need to Verify Balances for Fixed Assets

Finding: The beginning balances of fixed assets does not equal the prior year ending balances. LRS 24:514 and proper internal control requires that

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complete and adequate records be maintained on assets. According to the software company, the report for fixed assets for the year ended June 30, 2003 was not correct. There were formulas in the prior fixed asset report generated by the software company that did not calculate correctly. The school board was not informed of this problem until this year when the school board staff was unable to reconcile to prior year amounts. Due to the lack of confidence in the fixed asset program used by the school board, the board has no assurance that the stated balances at June 30, 2004 are correct.

Recommendation: I recommend that the school board administration determine whether the current fixed asset program is working correctly, by manually checking calculations or performing a physical inventory. Further, for the year ended June 30, 2005 the school board should be able to provide an accurate list showing beginning balances, (which agree to prior year ending balances), additions, deletions, and ending balances.

04-02 Need to Verify Balances for Vacation and Compensatory Time

Finding: The school board was not able to provide a schedule of compensatory time earned and used, by function. Further, the schedule of compensated absences provided did not include all employees. Internal control for compensatory time requires complete and proper information. It appears that the software used by the school board does not have the capability to provide the proper information needed. Because the school board was not able provide a schedule with all employees included on the list, the school board has no assurance that the stated liability balances at June 30, 2004 are correct.

Recommendation: I recommend that the current administration determine what its' actual liability for compensatory time is as soon as possible. Further, for the year ended June 30, 2005, the school board should be able to provide an accurate list showing beginning balances, additions, reductions, and ending balances, by employee and function.

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04-03 Need to Reconcile Interfund Receivable and Payable Balances

Finding: Interfund receivables at year end did not equal interfund payables. Basic internal control procedures include the reconciliation of interfund balances in a timely manner. During my testing of interfund payables and receivables, I was unable to agree the interfund balances. The school board was unable to provide a schedule of these balances. An accurate schedule should be maintained and balanced each month. The business manager should follow up on any differences and correct at that time. The adjusted balance for the school boards interfund receivables reflected a balance of \$1,263,965, while the interfund payables reflected a balance of \$1,251,548, or an unidentified difference of \$12,417. As indicated above, the interfund records have not been properly reconciled.

Recommendation: The business should insure that interfund receivables and payables reconcile on a monthly basis.

04-04 Need Improved Controls Over Grant Expenditures

Finding: Procedures for disbursements from the 8G tuition reimbursement program do not provide adequate controls. Proper internal control requires that all disbursements should be supported by an original invoice or other support which indicates that the goods or services have actually been received. My testing of expenditures for the 8G program disclosed the following.

- 1. The signature for approval on one request for payment did not agree to the authorized signature.
- 2. None of the support documentation for reimbursement of funds, reviewed by me were originals. Further, several of the support documents appear to have been altered.
- 3. There are two people who are being reimbursed for tuition that are not eligible for reimbursement, according to the guidelines provided for this program.

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Recommendation: To improve controls, the business manager should review and approve all grant expenditures of the school board office. Further, responsible grant administrators should ensure that all grant expenditures are supported by an original invoice or other supporting documentation and that the persons being reimbursed are eligible for the program.

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

None

(Concluded)

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Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

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Homer, Louisiana Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR NAME/ PROGRAM TITLE	CFDA NUMBER	PASS- THROUGH GRANTOR'S NUMBER	EXPENDITURES
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT			
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES			
Passed through Louisiana Department of Education -			
Starting Points - Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	28043814	\$62,642
Strategies to Empower People	93.558	2804EP-14	21,505
Pre-GED/Skills Option	93.558	280436-14	30,415
Total United States Department of Health and Human Services			114,562
OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE			
Direct program - United States Department of the Interior -			
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	15.000	N/A	62,076
Total Federal Financial Assistance			\$3,181,082

NOTES:

- 1. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards was prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting.
- 2. Nonmonetary assistance is reported in the schedule at the fair market value of the commodities received and disbursed. At June 30, 2004, the school board had food commodities totaling \$8,833 in inventory.

(Concluded)

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD Homer, Louisiana

Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings For the Year Ended June 30, 2004

There were no audit findings reported in the audit for the year ended June 30, 2003.

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TO:

Mary Jo Finley, CPA, Inc.

FROM:

Claiborne Parish School Board

DATE:

December 8, 2004

RE:

Audit Responses

Response 04-01 Verification of Balances for Fixed Assets

We will monitor our fixed asset program quarterly over the next year to verify that ending balances will match beginning balances. It is the procedure of Claiborne Parish School Board to conduct a physical inventory yearly. The reason the beginning balance will not tie is due to our fixed asset program being upgraded midyear. We will also be working with Software & Services to make sure that this does not occur again next year.

Response 04-02 Verification of Balances for Vacation and Compensatory Time

After a discussion with our software company, it was determined that our present program lacks the ability to produce a compensated absence report that reflects a particular date. Software & Services will be checking with their programmers to determine how to produce such a report. In years past, this report has not been required to reflect a certain date. Until this year's audit, our compensated absence report has been sufficient. With adequate notice, Software & Services assures us they could have designed such a program. We will be following up with our software company and our auditors to determine what is needed to produce this report.

Response 04-03 Verification of Interfund Receivables and Payable Balances

The business manager will design a spreadsheet to recap both Interfund receivables and payables and balance them monthly. This spreadsheet will be available for the auditors for year ending June 30, 2005.

Response 04-04 Controls of Grant Expenditures

Explanation of Disclosures:

- 1. This matter has been addressed by the superintendent and resolved to his satisfaction.
- 2. The documentations reviewed by the auditor were copies of invoices that are filed with Claiborne Parish School Board's accounts payable records. All original invoices are maintained on file in the Human Resources office for state audit purposes and are available upon request. All invoices have been reviewed by the superintendent and meet his satisfaction.
- 3. Both employees in question had approval from the acting superintendent to participate in this program. At that time, the state coordinator at 8(g) Teacher Quality Block stated that funds could be used by administrators. After eligibility was questioned regarding the participation by these two employees, the 8(g) state program coordinator was contacted again. At that point, the 8(g) state program coordinator conferred with his immediate supervisor and was told that he had given misinformation to the two employees. Upon notification that this practice was not acceptable, participation in the use of the 8(g) Teacher Quality Block Tuition funds by these two employees has ceased. Please see attached e-mail from 8(g) state program coordinator.

It has been the practice of Claiborne Parish School Board that the business manager receives all invoices for approval. The business manager then forwards all invoices to the appropriate supervisor for request of payment. Then the supervisor forwards the invoices to accounts payable for processing. This practice was recommended and approved by the state legislative auditor.

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