



POPULAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT



EAST KNOX
LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT





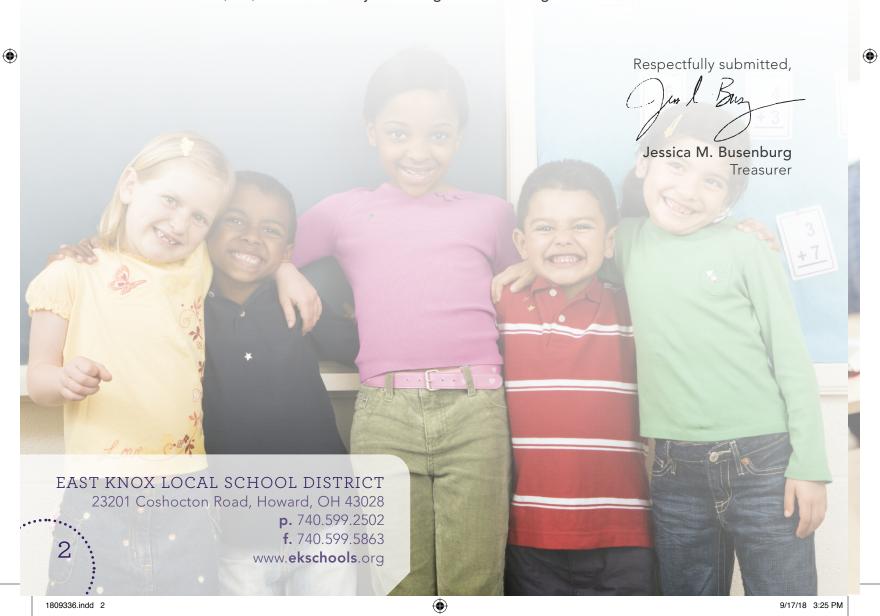
TO THE CITIZENS OF THE EAST KNOX LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT,

We are pleased to present the East Knox Local School District's (the "District") Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the year ending June 30, 2018. This report makes our District's finances easier to understand, and communicates our financial situation in an open and accountable manner. We are proud of this report and the support offered by the Board of Education in its creation.

The PAFR is prepared on the cash-basis of accounting, which differs from financial information prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Annually, the District prepares cash-basis financial statements which are audited by the Auditor of the State of Ohio or its designee. A copy of our annual financial audit reports can be found on the Auditor of the State of Ohio's website at www.ohioauditor.gov.

The PAFR focuses on the District's General Fund. The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the District and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The most significant items not reported in the General Fund include debt issuance and retirement and permanent improvements.

We would like to thank our citizens for their encouragement in creating a report designed to more adequately address their needs as taxpayers, as well as for the opportunity to serve them. Questions, comments and feedback regarding this report are encouraged, so please do not hesitate to contact the Treasurer's office at (740) 599-2502 or at jbusenburg@ekschools.org.





REVENUES AND RESOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND SERVICES

The Financial Activity Statement below is shown on a cash-basis for the District's General Fund. This type of schedule, known in accounting terms as the income statement, provides a summary of the receipts and resources received by the District compared to the disbursements and services provided by the District.

RECEIPTS & RESOURCES (shown in thousands)	FY18	FY17	FY16
Property Taxes	\$6,340	\$5,581	\$4,873
Unrestricted State Aid	3,993	3,897	3,961
Restricted State Aid	79	100	65
Property Tax Allocation	747	719	705
Casino Revenue	50	48	49
All Other Revenues	850	736	846
Total Receipts and Resources	\$12,059	\$11,081	\$10,499

DISBURSEMENTS & SERVICES PROVIDED (shown in thousands)	FY18	FY17	FY16
Instruction	\$6,737	\$6,418	\$6,029
Pupil Support	594	611	640
Instructional Staff Support	138	145	150
Board/Administration/Fiscal	1,163	1,123	1,131
Plant Operation	890	815	805
Transportation	569	553	564
Central Support	167	138	125
Extracurricular	196	151	154
Non-instructional services	27	25	25
Total Disbursements and Services	\$10,481	\$9,979	\$9,623
Receipts and Resources Over Disbursements and Services	\$1,578	\$1,102	\$876
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Our Disbursements and Services DEFINITIONS

INSTRUCTION is the activities directly dealing with the teaching of pupils or the interaction between teacher and pupil. Includes aides or classroom assistants of any type, who assist in the instructional process. Technology used by the students is also included here.

PUPIL SUPPORT is the activates which are designed to assess and improve the well-being of pupils and to supplement the teaching process. This includes guidance services, health services, psychological services and support services for students with disabilities.

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF SUPPORT is the activities associated with assisting the instructional staff with the content and process of providing learning experiences for pupils.

BOARD/ADMINISTRATION/FISCAL those activities concerned with establishing and administrating policy in connection with operating the school district. This function includes budgeting, receiving and disbursing, financial accounting, payroll, inventory control, auditing and fiscal services rendered by persons in the treasurer's office.

PLANT OPERATION those activities concerned with keeping the physical plant open, comfortable and safe for use and keeping the grounds, buildings, and equipment in and effective working condition and state of repair. This includes activities of maintaining safety in buildings, on the grounds and in the vicinity of the schools.

TRANSPORTATION those activities concerned with the conveyance of individuals to and from school, as provided by state law. It includes transportation to school activities and between home and school.

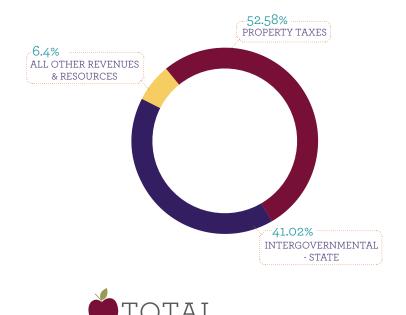
CENTRAL SUPPORT those activities, other than general administration, which support each of the other instructional and supporting services programs including planning, research, development, evaluation, information staff, statistical, and data processing services.

EXTRACURRICULAR student activities under the guidance or supervision of qualified adults which are designed to provide opportunities for pupils to participate in such experiences on an individual basis at school events or public events.

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES those activities concerned with providing non-instructional services to students, staff or the community. Also includes providing certain services to other school districts.

GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS & RESOURCES

The graph below displays the cash-basis receipts and resources for the General Fund for fiscal year 2018.



GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS & SERVICES

(shown in thousands)

Disbursements & Services \$12,059

The graph below displays the cash-basis disbursements and services provided for the General Fund for fiscal year 2018.

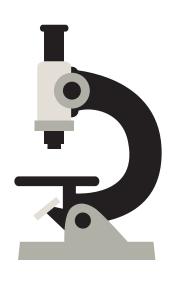


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PROPERTY TAXES

To the right is a graph depicting the amount of cash collections received by the District from real and personal property taxes. Property taxes provide a majority of the local revenue to operate and maintain our schools.





STATE FUNDING

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The chart to the right depicts the cash receipts for the District's General Fund from the State of Ohio. Monies received from the state are critical in running a fiscally solvent school district. The four primary components of State revenues are (1) unrestricted State Aid consisting of State Foundation which is a formula calculation based upon student enrollment, (2) property tax allocations which include Homestead and Rollback payments which represent the portion of the tax bill paid by the State instead of the taxpayer, (3) restricted State Aid consisting of economic disadvantaged and career tech funding, and (4) Casino tax revenue to the TPP tax phase-out. Amounts shown in thousands.







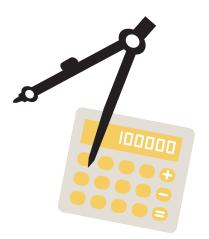


UNBUNDLING THE TAX RATE

All tax rates for the District except inside millage are reduced as valuations increase. In accordance with House Bill 920, as property valuations increase during the triennial update and reappraisal periods, the voted millage is reduced in order to generate the same amount of tax revenue for the District as was received when each levy was initially approved by the voters. The chart below shows the difference in the District's "Gross" or voted tax rates, as compared to the "Effective" rates, which are what is being collected. The rates below are for the 2018 tax year collected in 2017.

TAX BURDEN ON HOMEOWNERS

Туре	Gross Rate	Effective Rate	Length Approved
Inside-Operating	4.50	4.50	Permanent
Voted - Operating	30.70	15.50	Permanent
Voted - Emergency Levy	4.17	4.17	10 Year
Permanent Improvement	3.00	2.44	Permanent
Bond Retirement	3.23	3.23	Various



ASSESSED VALUES OF REAL PROPERTY

Collection Year	Agricultural/ Residential	Commercial/ Industrial	Other Real Estate	Public Utility Personal	Total
2018	\$272,071,100	\$6,895,450	\$589,180	\$8,991,160	\$288,546,890
2017	\$258,820,040	\$6,603,680	\$1,386,695	\$8,438,430	\$275,248,845
2016	\$256,296,910	\$6,687,150	\$705,710	\$8,282,820	\$271,972,590

OPEN ENROLLMENT (OE)

Year	Open Enrollment In	Student FTE* OE In	Open Enrollment Out	Student FTE* OE Out	Net Open Enrollment Loss	Community School Loss	Total Annual Loss
2017-2018	\$411,227	73.68	\$1,707,208	293.58	\$(1,295,981)	\$(287,213)	\$(1,583,194)
2016-2017	\$412,198	72.61	\$1,801,234	309.21	\$(1,389,036)	\$(318,260)	\$(1,707,296)
2015-2016	\$394,077	68.65	\$1,691,203	300.82	\$(1,297,126)	\$(319,560)	\$(1,616,686)
2014-2015	\$418,167	73.07	\$1,645,918	286.16	\$(1,227,751)	\$(360,861)	\$(1,588,612)

^{*}full-time equivalent

OUR TAXES AS COMPARED TO NEIGHBORING DISTRICTS

School	Equivalent Millage (property + income)	School	Equivalent Millage (property + income)
Loudonville*	41.22	North Fork*	32.95
Clear Fork*	35.47	Centerburg*	32.75
Danville *	34.50	Northridge	29.90
Mount Vernon	33.28	East Knox	29.84
*has an income tax	in effect	Fredericktown	28.39

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DISTRICT ACCOMPLISHMENTS



ACADEMIC

- Placed first or second in 11 of 16 achievement areas on the Local Report Card among Knox County school districts.
- All students passed the Third Grade Reading Guarantee
- Due to the Emergency Levy passage in Fall of 2016, elementary art and music were re-instated into the curriculum for the first time since 2010
- Invested \$50,000 in new curriculum and \$150,000 in new technology at the elementary and JR/SR High
- Offered college courses to high school students for the 2017-18 school year through College Credit Plus program. Over 22 students took advantage of this program.
- Continued with over 100 Kenyon student volunteers in the district to provide tutoring, teacher assisting, and study clubs to students through the Partnership of East Knox and Kenyon College (PEKK).





- Finished the fiscal year within budget for the 5th straight year and improved the district's cash balance due to the Fall of 2016 levy passage
- Received the Ohio Auditor of State Award for financial reporting for FY17
- Utilized permanent improvement funds to make improvements to the JR/SR High including LED lighting in portions of the building, new ceiling tiles, bathroom renovations, replaced the stair treads, repaired the gymnasium bleachers for safety reasons, and completed many other projects on the facilities district wide.
- Engaged the Ohio School Facilities Commission to conduct campus-wide facilities study



EXTRACURRICULAR

- 3 FFA teams qualified and participated or will participate in National FFA Competitions, 5 FFA teams finished in the top 10, and there were 9 State FFA degrees awarded and 3 American FFA degrees will be awarded in October
- Football team had back to back winning seasons for the first time since 1998-1999 and had 4 players receive All-Ohio honors
- Golf returned as a district sport and one golfer finished in the Top 10 in the State
- Track had another successful year with one State Qualifier in two events





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