

**Dermott Special School District**  
**Chicot County, Arkansas**  
**Regulatory Basis Financial Statements**  
**and Other Reports**  
**June 30, 2011**

LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE



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CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
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## LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Dermott Special School District and School Board Members  
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major governmental fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Dermott Special School District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the District's regulatory basis financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of District management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we 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. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described more fully in Note 1, the District has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices prescribed or permitted by Arkansas Code, which practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effect on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to previously do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the District as of June 30, 2011, or the changes in financial position for the year then ended. Further, the District has not presented a management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to previously present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major governmental fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general and special revenue funds for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the District changed the classifications of its governmental fund balances on July 1, 2010.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 3, 2011 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's regulatory basis financial statements. The Schedule of Capital Assets (Schedule 1), Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule 2), as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Schedule 3), Federal Award Programs - Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings (Schedule 4), and Schedule of Selected Information for the Last Five Years - Regulatory Basis (Schedule 5) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the regulatory basis financial statements. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule 2), Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Schedule 3), and Federal Award Programs - Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings (Schedule 4) have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the regulatory basis financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the regulatory basis financial statements taken as a whole. The Schedule of Capital Assets (Schedule 1) and the Schedule of Selected Information for the Last Five Years - Regulatory Basis (Schedule 5) have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the regulatory basis financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

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## LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

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

Dermott Special School District and School Board Members  
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

We have audited the financial statements of each major governmental fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Dermott Special School District (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the District's regulatory basis financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 3, 2011. We issued an adverse opinion because the District prepared the financial statements using accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Arkansas Code, which differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effect on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material. However, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major governmental fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general and special revenue funds for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the regulatory basis financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, there can be no assurance that all deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses have been identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be a material weakness.

*A deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2011-1 to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

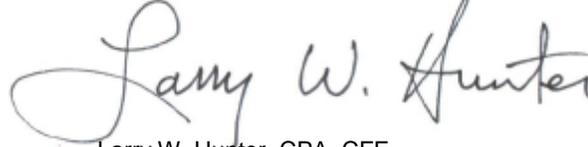
As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's regulatory basis financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of the state constitution, state and federal laws and regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We noted certain matters that we reported to management of the District in a separate letter dated November 3, 2011.

The District's responses to the findings identified in our audit, excluding the management letter finding, are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. We did not audit the District's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, the local school board and District management, state executive and oversight management, federal regulatory and oversight bodies, the federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and other parties as required by Arkansas Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-417, all reports presented to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee are matters of public record and distribution is not limited.

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## LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS THAT COULD HAVE A DIRECT AND MATERIAL EFFECT ON EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Dermott Special School District and School Board Members  
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

### Compliance

We have audited the Dermott Special School District (the "District") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2011. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we 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 District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with those requirements.

As described in item 2011-2 in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, the District did not comply with requirements regarding activities allowed or unallowed and allowable costs/cost principles that are applicable to its Child Nutrition Cluster (cash assistance programs). Compliance with such requirements is necessary, in our opinion, for the District to comply with the requirements applicable to that cluster.

In our opinion, except for the noncompliance described in the preceding paragraph, the District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2011. The results of our auditing procedures also disclosed other instances of noncompliance with those requirements, which are required to be reported in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 and which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2011-3.

## Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program to determine the auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, there can be no assurance that all deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses have been identified. However, as discussed below, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness and another deficiency that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

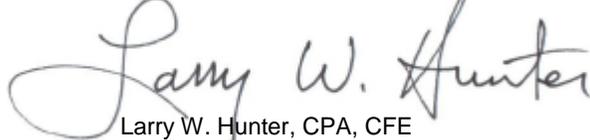
*A deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2011-2 to be a material weakness.

*A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2011-3 to be a significant deficiency.

The District's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. We did not audit the District's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, the local school board and District management, state executive and oversight management, federal regulatory and oversight bodies, the federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and other parties as required by Arkansas Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-417, all reports presented to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee are matters of public record and distribution is not limited.

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### MANAGEMENT LETTER

Dermott Special School District and School Board Members  
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

We would like to communicate the following item that came to our attention during this audit. The purpose of such comment is to provide constructive feedback and guidance, in an effort to assist management to maintain a satisfactory level of compliance with the state constitution, laws and regulations and to improve internal control. This matter was discussed previously with District officials during the course of our audit fieldwork and at the exit conference.

As a result of finding 2011-2 disclosed in Schedule 3, the Arkansas Department of Education, Child Nutrition Unit (ADE, CNU) is currently obtaining and reviewing the District's records regarding procurement, expenditures, and claims for reimbursement for the 2009, 2010, and 2011 fiscal years. This review had not been completed as of report date. When this review is completed, any applicable findings will be disclosed in subsequent audit reports.

This letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, the local school board and District management, state executive and oversight management, federal regulatory and oversight bodies, the federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and other parties as required by Arkansas Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-417, all reports presented to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee are matters of public record and distribution is not limited.

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DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
 BALANCE SHEET - REGULATORY BASIS  
 JUNE 30, 2011

Exhibit A

	Governmental Funds			
	Major			Fiduciary Fund Types
	General	Special Revenue	Other Aggregate	
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash	\$ 382,953	\$ 34,697	\$ 899,522	\$ 6,901
Investments	378,579			
Accounts receivable	16,397	94,743		
Property taxes receivable	19,698			
Due from other funds		611		
Deposit with paying agent	4,573			
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 802,200</b>	<b>\$ 130,051</b>	<b>\$ 899,522</b>	<b>\$ 6,901</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>				
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Accounts payable	\$ 975	\$ 757	\$ 22,874	
Due student groups				\$ 6,901
Due to other funds	611			
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>1,586</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>22,874</b>	<b>6,901</b>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>				
Restricted	133,459	129,294	277,425	
Assigned	50,844		599,223	
Unassigned	616,311			
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>800,614</b>	<b>129,294</b>	<b>876,648</b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 802,200</b>	<b>\$ 130,051</b>	<b>\$ 899,522</b>	<b>\$ 6,901</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -  
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Exhibit B

	Major		Other Aggregate
	General	Special Revenue	
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Property taxes (including property tax relief trust distribution)	\$ 1,208,728		
State assistance	3,170,182	\$ 2,352	
Federal assistance		1,849,614	\$ 173,473
Activity revenues	28,036		
Meal sales		39,140	
Investment income	11,714		
Other revenues	43,625	55,493	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>4,462,285</b>	<b>1,946,599</b>	<b>173,473</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
Regular programs	932,612	783,089	
Special education	240,715	153,468	
Workforce education programs	36,217		
Adult/continuing education program	262,780	1,000	
Compensatory education programs	365,668	174,038	
Other instructional programs	65,028		
Student support services	154,651	8,277	
Instructional staff support services	438,099	489,107	
General administration support services	162,004	42,276	
School administration support services	309,384		
Central services support services	62,911	45,124	
Operation and maintenance of plant services	408,582		250,542
Student transportation services	222,385	1,046	
Other support services	10,198		
Food services operations	13,432	374,129	
Community services operations		1,042	
Facilities acquisition and construction services			191,459
Non-programmed costs		8,324	
Activity expenditures	26,485		
Debt Service:			
Principal retirement	6,281		120,000
Interest and fiscal charges	2,864		116,197
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>3,720,296</b>	<b>2,080,920</b>	<b>678,198</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>741,989</b>	<b>(134,321)</b>	<b>(504,725)</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>			
Transfers in			843,947
Transfers out	(843,947)		
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(843,947)</b>		<b>843,947</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES</b>	<b>(101,958)</b>	<b>(134,321)</b>	<b>339,222</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES - JULY 1</b>	<b>902,572</b>	<b>263,615</b>	<b>537,426</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30</b>	<b>\$ 800,614</b>	<b>\$ 129,294</b>	<b>\$ 876,648</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Exhibit C

	General			Special Revenue		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<b>REVENUES</b>						
Property taxes (including property tax relief trust distribution)	\$ 1,129,000	\$ 1,208,728	\$ 79,728			
State assistance	3,440,093	3,170,182	(269,911)	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,352	\$ (148)
Federal assistance				2,116,334	1,849,614	(266,720)
Activity revenues		28,036	28,036			
Meal sales				31,000	39,140	8,140
Investment income	18,000	11,714	(6,286)			
Other revenues	17,100	43,625	26,525		55,493	55,493
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>4,604,193</b>	<b>4,462,285</b>	<b>(141,908)</b>	<b>2,149,834</b>	<b>1,946,599</b>	<b>(203,235)</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
Regular programs	1,870,504	932,612	937,892	183	783,089	(782,906)
Special education	226,338	240,715	(14,377)	117,387	153,468	(36,081)
Workforce education programs	77,265	36,217	41,048			
Adult/continuing education program	300,242	262,780	37,462	1,000	1,000	
Compensatory education programs	511,328	365,668	145,660	236,099	174,038	62,061
Other instructional programs	37,761	65,028	(27,267)			
Student support services	135,184	154,651	(19,467)	6,901	8,277	(1,376)
Instructional staff support services	506,505	438,099	68,406	516,608	489,107	27,501
General administration support services	141,757	162,004	(20,247)	43,599	42,276	1,323
School administration support services	273,003	309,384	(36,381)			
Central services support services	56,165	62,911	(6,746)	45,124	45,124	
Operation and maintenance of plant services	421,891	408,582	13,309			
Student transportation services	234,921	222,385	12,536		1,046	(1,046)
Other support services	23,150	10,198	12,952			
Food services operations		13,432	(13,432)	382,627	374,129	8,498
Community services operations				2,663	1,042	1,621
Facilities acquisition and construction services				915,308		915,308
Non-programmed costs	300,000		300,000	6,170	8,324	(2,154)
Activity expenditures		26,485	(26,485)			
Debt Service:						
Principal retirement	5,000	6,281	(1,281)			
Interest and fiscal charges	1,000	2,864	(1,864)			
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>5,122,014</b>	<b>3,720,296</b>	<b>1,401,718</b>	<b>2,273,669</b>	<b>2,080,920</b>	<b>192,749</b>

DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES -  
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS - REGULATORY BASIS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Exhibit C

	General			Special Revenue		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (517,821)	\$ 741,989	\$ 1,259,810	\$ (123,835)	\$ (134,321)	\$ (10,486)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in	2,365,871		(2,365,871)	63,508		(63,508)
Transfers out	(2,653,208)	(843,947)	1,809,261			
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(287,337)	(843,947)	(556,610)	63,508		(63,508)
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(805,158)	(101,958)	703,200	(60,327)	(134,321)	(73,994)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	939,308	902,572	(36,736)	152,626	263,615	110,989
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 134,150	\$ 800,614	\$ 666,464	\$ 92,299	\$ 129,294	\$ 36,995

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
JUNE 30, 2011

**1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

A. Reporting Entity

The Board of Education, a six member group, is the level of government, which has responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary school education within the jurisdiction of the Dermott Special School District (District). There are no component units.

B. Description of Funds

Major governmental funds (per the regulatory basis of accounting) are defined as General and Special Revenue.

General Fund – The General Fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Special Revenue Fund – The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. The Special Revenue Fund includes federal revenues and related expenditures, restricted for specific educational programs or projects, including the District's food services operations. The Special Revenue Fund also includes required matching for those federal programs, program income required to be used to further the objectives of those programs, and transfers from the general fund to supplement such programs.

Other governmental funds, presented in the aggregate, consist of the following:

Capital Projects Fund – The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. The Capital Projects Fund excludes those types of capital-related outflows financed by proprietary funds or for assets that will be held in trust for individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

Debt Service Fund – The Debt Service Fund is used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

Fiduciary Fund types include the following:

Agency Funds – Agency Funds are used to report resources held by the reporting government in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities).

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting (RBA). This basis of accounting is prescribed by Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-413(c), as provided in Act 2201 of 2005, and requires that financial statements be presented on a fund basis with, as a minimum, the general fund and special revenue fund presented separately and all other funds included in the audit presented in the aggregate. The law also stipulates that the financial statements consist of a balance sheet; a statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances; a comparison of the final adopted budget to the actual expenditures for the general fund and special revenue funds of the entity; notes to financial statements; and a supplemental schedule of capital assets, including land, buildings, and equipment. The law further stipulates that the State Board of Education shall promulgate the rules necessary to administer the regulatory basis of presentation.

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**1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Continued)

The RBA is not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). GAAP require that basic financial statements present government-wide financial statements. Additionally, GAAP require the following major concepts: Management's Discussion and Analysis, accrual basis of accounting for government-wide financial statements, including depreciation expense, modified accrual basis of accounting for fund financial statements, separate financial statements for fiduciary fund types, separate identification of special and extraordinary items, inclusion of capital assets and debt in the financial statements, specific procedures for the identification of major governmental funds, and applicable note disclosures. The RBA does not require government-wide financial statements or the previously identified concepts.

The accompanying financial statements are presented on a fund basis. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts, which are segregated for purposes of recording specific activities or attaining certain objectives. Revenues are reported by major sources and expenditures are reported by major function. Other transactions, which are not reported as revenues or expenditures, are reported as other financing sources and uses. Transactions related to the recording of installment contracts and capital leases are reported as other financing sources. Changes in private-purpose trust funds will be reflected in the notes to the financial statements.

D. Revenue Recognition Policies

Revenues are recognized when they become susceptible to accrual in accordance with the RBA, except for property taxes (see Note 1 F below).

E. Capital Assets

Information on capital assets and related depreciation is reported at Schedule 1. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical cost, if actual data is not available. Capital assets purchased are recorded as expenditures in the applicable fund at the time of purchase. Donated capital assets are reported at fair value when received. The District maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 for capitalizing equipment. Library holdings are not capitalized.

No salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. All capital assets, other than land and construction in progress, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Life in Years
Improvements/infrastructure	20
Buildings	50
Equipment	5-20

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1: **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

F. Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied (tax rates are established) in November of each year based on property assessment (real and personal) that occurred within a specific period of time beginning January 1 of the same year. Property taxes are collectible beginning the first business day of March of the year following the levy date and are considered delinquent after October 15 of the same calendar year. Property taxes are accrued or deferred, as applicable, in accordance with guidelines issued by the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE), which were effective beginning with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. Arkansas law defines revenue receipts of a school district and includes 40% of the proceeds of local taxes which are not pledged to secure bonded indebtedness or 40% of the revenue from the uniform rate of tax whichever is greater collected in the succeeding calendar year, commonly known as 40% pullback, within that definition. The ADE has determined that school districts must utilize the 40% pullback amount, as calculated by the ADE and reflected on the respective county's abstract of assessments, in recording property tax revenue as follows:

- If the amount of 40% pullback collected by June 30<sup>th</sup> is less than the calculated 40% pullback amount, the difference must be accrued;
- If the amount of 40% pullback collected by June 30<sup>th</sup> is more than the calculated 40% pullback amount, the excess must be recorded as deferred taxes.

Amendment no. 74 to the Arkansas Constitution established a uniform minimum property tax millage rate of 25 mills for maintenance and operation of public schools. Ark. Code Ann. § 26-80-101 provides the uniform rate of tax (URT) shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as other school property taxes, but the net revenues from the URT shall be remitted to the State Treasurer and distributed by the State to the county treasurer of each county for distribution to the school districts in that county. For reporting purposes, URT revenues are considered property taxes.

G. Interfund Receivables and Payables

Interfund receivables and payables result from services rendered from one fund to another or from interfund loans.

H. Fund Balance Classifications

1. Restricted fund balance – represents amounts that are restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of resources are either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through bond covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
2. Assigned fund balance – represents amounts that are constrained by the District's *intent* to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.
3. Unassigned fund balance – represents amounts that have not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. This classification can also include negative amounts in other governmental funds, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes.

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**1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

I. Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The District is required by state law to prepare an annual budget. The annual budget is prepared on a fiscal year basis. The District does not prepare and submit amended budgets during the fiscal year. The State Department of Education's regulations allow for the cash basis or the modified accrual basis. However, the majority of the school districts employ the cash basis method.

The District budgets intra-fund transfers. Significant variances may result in the comparison of transfers at the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General and Special Revenue Funds – Regulatory Basis because only interfund transfers are reported at the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds – Regulatory Basis.

Budgetary perspective differences are not considered to be significant, because the structure of the information utilized in preparing the budget and the applicable fund financial statements is essentially the same.

J. Stabilization Arrangements

The District's Board of Education has not formally set aside amounts for use in emergency situations or when revenue shortages or budgetary imbalances arise.

K. Minimum Fund Balance Policies

The District's Board of Education has not formally adopted a minimum fund balance policy.

L. Fund Balance Classification Policies and Procedures

The Superintendent, in conjunction with other management and accounting personnel, is authorized to assign amounts to a specific purpose. The District's Board of Education has not adopted a formal policy addressing this authorization.

The District's revenues, expenditures, and fund balances are tracked in the accounting system by numerous sources of funds. The fund balances of these sources of funds are combined to derive the District's total fund balances by fund. It is uncommon for an individual source of funds to contain restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) funds. The District does not have a policy addressing whether it considers restricted or unrestricted amounts to have been spent when an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted amounts are available. District personnel decide which resources (source of funds) to use at the time expenditures are incurred. For classification of fund balance amounts, restricted resources are considered spent before unrestricted. The District does not have a policy addressing which resources to use within the unrestricted fund balance when committed, assigned, or unassigned fund balances are available. When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used, committed amounts are reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

M. Encumbrances

The District does not utilize encumbrance accounting.

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**1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

N. Change in Accounting Principle

The District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions* on July 1, 2010. GASB Statement no. 54 changed the classifications of governmental fund balances from reserved and unreserved to nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

**2: CASH DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

Cash deposits are carried at cost (carrying value). A comparison of the bank balance and carrying value is as follows:

	Carrying Amount	Bank Balance
Insured (FDIC)	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
Collateralized:		
Collateral held by the pledging bank or pledging bank's trust department in the District's name	1,452,552	1,731,337
Total Deposits	\$ 1,702,552	\$ 1,981,337

The above total deposits do not include cash on hand of \$100. The above total deposits include certificates of deposit of \$378,579 reported as investments and classified as nonparticipating contracts.

**3: ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

The accounts receivable balance of \$111,140 at June 30, 2011 was comprised of the following:

Description	Governmental Funds		Total
	Major		
	General	Special Revenue	
Federal assistance		\$ 94,743	\$ 94,743
Other	\$ 16,397		16,397
Totals	\$ 16,397	\$ 94,743	\$ 111,140

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**4: COMMITMENTS**

The District was contractually obligated for the following at June 30, 2011:

Long-term Debt Issued and Outstanding

The District is presently paying on the following long-term debt:

Date of Issue	Date of Final Maturity	Rate of Interest	Amount Authorized and Issued	Debt Outstanding June 30, 2011	Maturities To June 30, 2011
7/6/07	7/6/17	5.25%	\$ 70,450	\$ 49,818	\$ 20,632
12/1/08	2/1/38	5 - 6%	215,000	210,000	5,000
7/1/09	2/1/38	3.6 - 5%	520,000	490,000	30,000
9/1/09	6/1/28	1 - 4%	2,585,000	2,360,000	225,000
Totals			<u>\$ 3,390,450</u>	<u>\$ 3,109,818</u>	<u>\$ 280,632</u>

Changes in Long-term Debt

	Balance July 1, 2010	Issued	Retired	Balance June 30, 2011
Bonds payable	\$ 3,180,000		\$ 120,000	\$ 3,060,000
Capital leases	56,099		6,281	49,818
Totals	<u>\$ 3,236,099</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 126,281</u>	<u>\$ 3,109,818</u>

Total long-term debt principal and interest payments are as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2012	\$ 131,616	\$ 120,542	\$ 252,158
2013	131,968	117,820	249,788
2014	137,338	114,750	252,088
2015	137,728	111,162	248,890
2016	138,140	107,266	245,406
2017-2021	758,028	465,752	1,223,780
2022-2026	895,000	316,447	1,211,447
2027-2031	505,000	166,613	671,613
2032-2036	185,000	109,413	294,413
2037-2038	90,000	37,200	127,200
Totals	<u>\$ 3,109,818</u>	<u>\$ 1,666,965</u>	<u>\$ 4,776,783</u>

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**4: COMMITMENTS (Continued)**

Capital Leases

The District has executed the following capital leases:

Class of Property	Asset Balance June 30, 2011
School bus	\$ 70,450
	June 30, 2011
Total Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 59,445
Less: Amount Representing Interest	9,627
Total Present Value of Net Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 49,818

**5: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

The accounts payable balance of \$24,606 at June 30, 2011 was comprised of the following:

Description	Governmental Funds			Total
	Major			
	General	Special Revenue	Other Aggregate	
Vendor payables	\$ 975	\$ 757	\$ 22,874	\$ 24,606

**6: INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

The District transferred \$843,947 from the general fund to the other aggregate funds for debt related payments of \$265,949, refunding savings of \$8,528, and building renovation and repairs of \$569,470.

**7: RETIREMENT PLANS**

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System

Plan Description. The District contributes to the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (ATRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that covers all Arkansas public school employees, except certain nonteachers hired before July 1, 1989. ATRS, administered by a Board of Trustees, provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by State law and can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Teacher Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for ATRS. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, 1400 West Third Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 or by calling 1-800-666-2877.

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**7: RETIREMENT PLANS (Continued)**

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (Continued)

Funding Policy. ATRS has contributory and noncontributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute 6% of their salaries. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate determined by the Board of Trustees, based on the annual actuarial valuation. The current employer rate is 14% of covered salaries, the maximum allowed by State law. The District's contributions to ATRS for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$506,345, \$553,959, and \$467,160, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System

Plan Description. The District contributes to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that covers certain nonteachers hired before July 1, 1989. APERS, administered by a Board of Trustees, provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by State law and can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for APERS. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, 124 West Capitol, Suite 400, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 or by calling 1-800-682-7377.

Funding Policy. APERS has contributory and noncontributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute 5% of their salaries. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate determined by the Board of Trustees, based on the annual actuarial valuation. The current employer rate for school districts is 4% of covered salaries. The District's contributions to APERS for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$361, \$369, and \$374, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

**8: RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

The District carries commercial insurance for student accident and catastrophic coverage and employee and board travel. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year in the major categories of risk.

The District participates in the Arkansas School Boards Association – Workers' Compensation Trust (the Trust), a self-insurance trust voluntarily established on July 1, 1994 pursuant to state law. The Trust is responsible for obtaining and administering workers' compensation insurance coverage for its members, as well as obtaining reinsurance coverage for those claims that exceed the standard policy limits. In its administrative capacity, the Trust is responsible for monitoring, negotiating, and settling claims that have been filed on behalf of and against member districts. The District contributes annually to this program.

The District participates in the Arkansas Fidelity Bond Trust Fund administered by the Governmental Bonding Board. This program provides coverage for actual losses sustained by its members through fraudulent or dishonest acts committed by officials or employees. Each loss is limited to \$250,000 with a \$1,000 deductible. Premiums for coverage are paid by the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State of Arkansas from funds withheld from the Public School Fund.

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**8: RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)**

The District participates in the Public School Property and Vehicle Insurance Trust Fund Program administered by the Risk Management Division of the Arkansas Insurance Department. The program's general objectives are to formulate, develop, and administer, on behalf of member districts, a program of insurance to obtain lower costs for property and vehicles coverage, and to develop a comprehensive loss control program. The fund uses a reinsurance policy to reduce exposure to large losses on insured events. The District pays an annual premium for its coverage of buildings, contents, and vehicles.

**9: ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS**

The allocation of the health insurance premiums paid by the Arkansas Department of Education to the Employee Benefits Division, on-behalf of the District's employees, totaled \$94,564 for the year ended June 30, 2011.

**10: DETAILS OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE CLASSIFICATIONS DISPLAYED IN THE AGGREGATE**

Description	Governmental Funds			Total
	Major			
	General	Special Revenue	Other Aggregate	
Fund Balances:				
Restricted for:				
Alternative learning environment	\$ 57			\$ 57
Educational programs - national school lunch state categorical funding	35,859			35,859
English-language learners	4,549			4,549
Professional development	8,439			8,439
Capital projects			\$ 269,038	269,038
Child nutrition programs		\$ 61,061		61,061
Debt service	4,573		8,387	12,960
Medical services		36,702		36,702
Special education programs		1,064		1,064
Other purposes	79,982	30,467		110,449
Total Restricted	<u>133,459</u>	<u>129,294</u>	<u>277,425</u>	<u>540,178</u>
Assigned to:				
Capital projects			569,470	569,470
Debt service			29,753	29,753
Student activities	45,454			45,454
Other purposes	5,390			5,390
Total Assigned	<u>50,844</u>		<u>599,223</u>	<u>650,067</u>
Unassigned	<u>616,311</u>			<u>616,311</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 800,614</u>	<u>\$ 129,294</u>	<u>\$ 876,648</u>	<u>\$ 1,806,556</u>

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**11: FISCAL DISTRESS STATUS**

On April 11, 2011, the State Board of Education classified the District in fiscal distress. The District, in conjunction with the Arkansas Department of Education, has adopted a plan to implement effective cost reduction measures.

DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
 SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011  
 (Unaudited)

Schedule 1

	Balance June 30, 2011
<i>Nondepreciable capital assets:</i>	
Land	\$ 303,723
<i>Depreciable capital assets:</i>	
Buildings	4,219,797
Improvements/infrastructure	441,348
Equipment	2,625,383
Total depreciable capital assets	7,286,528
Less accumulated depreciation for:	
Buildings	2,737,895
Improvements/infrastructure	204,578
Equipment	2,039,947
Total accumulated depreciation	4,982,420
Total depreciable capital assets, net	2,304,108
Capital assets, net	\$ 2,607,831

DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Schedule 2

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Federal Expenditures
<b>CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER</b>			
<u>U. S. Department of Agriculture</u>			
Passed Through State Department of Education:			
School Breakfast Program - Cash Assistance	10.553	09-01	\$ 102,845
National School Lunch Program - Cash Assistance	10.555	09-01	199,786
Total State Department of Education			<u>302,631</u>
Passed Through State Department of Human Services:			
National School Lunch Program - Non-Cash Assistance (Food Distribution) (Note 3)	10.555	0901000	<u>15,160</u>
TOTAL CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER			<u>317,791</u>
<b>TITLE I, PART A CLUSTER</b>			
<u>U. S. Department of Education</u>			
Passed Through State Department of Education:			
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	09-01	549,256
ARRA - Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies, Recovery Act	84.389	0901000	<u>21,783</u>
TOTAL TITLE I, PART A CLUSTER			<u>571,039</u>
<b>OTHER PROGRAMS</b>			
<u>U. S. Department of Agriculture</u>			
Passed Through State Department of Education:			
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.582	09-01	<u>11,955</u>
<u>National Endowment for the Arts</u>			
Passed Through Department of Arkansas Heritage - Arkansas Arts Council:			
Promotion of the Arts - Partnership Agreements	45.025	09-01	<u>580</u>
<u>U. S. Department of Education</u>			
Passed Through State Department of Career Education:			
Adult Education - Basic Grants to States	84.002	09-01	<u>1,000</u>
Passed Through State Department of Education:			
Special Education - Grants to States	84.027	09-01	122,965
Reading First State Grants	84.357	09-01	77,574
Rural Education	84.358	09-01	17,985
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367	09-01	47,929
ARRA - State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) - Education State Grants, Recovery Act	84.394	0901000	915,924
ARRA - Education Jobs Fund, Recovery Act	84.410	0901000	<u>84,558</u>
Total State Department of Education			<u>1,266,935</u>
Total U. S. Department of Education			<u>1,267,935</u>
TOTAL OTHER PROGRAMS			<u>1,280,470</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			<u>\$ 2,169,300</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Schedule 2

NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

- Note 1: Basis of Presentation - The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal grant activity of the Dermott Special School District (District) under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2011. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Because this schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in financial position of the District.
- Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the regulatory basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in OMB Circular A-87, Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Pass-through entity identifying numbers are presented where available.
- Note 3: Nonmonetary assistance is reported at the approximate value as provided by the State Department of Human Services.
- Note 4: During the year ended June 30, 2011, the District received Medicaid funding of \$28,342 from the State Department of Human Services. Such payments are not considered Federal awards expended, and therefore, are not included in the above schedule.



DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
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Schedule 3

**SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

**MATERIAL WEAKNESS**

2011-1. Internal Control

Criteria or specific requirement: Internal control is a process consisting of five interrelated components - *control environment, risk assessment, information and communication, control activities, and monitoring*. Management is responsible for adopting sound accounting policies and for establishing and maintaining internal control that will, among other things, initiate, authorize, record, process, and report transactions (as well as events and conditions) consistent with management's assertions embodied in the financial statements.

Condition: Deficiencies in the internal control component of control activities adversely affected the District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, and report financial data in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting such that there was a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements would not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. Financial accounting duties were not adequately segregated among employees. Specifically, certain key weaknesses included the following: all bank reconciliations were prepared by the same employee responsible for the maintenance of accounting records, without compensating controls. Non-payroll checks were prepared by the same employee responsible for the maintenance of accounting records and such employee had unrestricted access to the District's signature stamp. Payroll checks were prepared by the same employee responsible for changes to the payroll amounts, without compensating controls. The district treasurer was responsible for receiving and depositing monies collected, preparation of payroll and non-payroll checks, maintenance of accounting records, and preparation of bank reconciliations, without compensating controls.

Context: An understanding of the five components of internal control sufficient to assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements whether due to error or fraud, and to design the nature, timing, and extent of further audit procedures was obtained.

Effect: The District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, and report transactions consistent with management's assertions embodied in the financial statements, as well as the ability to safeguard District assets, was adversely affected by the identified weaknesses in the above internal control component.

Cause: District management, due to cost/benefit implications, which hindered the District's ability to adequately segregate financial accounting duties among employees, did not effectively address the deficiencies in internal control.

Recommendation: District management should adopt sound accounting policies and establish and maintain internal control that will initiate, authorize, record, process, and report transactions consistent with management's assertions embodied in the financial statements and that will safeguard District assets.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: We concur with the recommendation and will implement corrective procedures to the extent possible.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
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Schedule 3

**SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

**MATERIAL WEAKNESS**

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
PASSED THROUGH STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER - CFDA NUMBERS 10.553 AND 10.555  
PASS-THROUGH NUMBER 09-01  
AUDIT PERIOD - YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

2011-2. Activities Allowed or Unallowed and Allowable Costs/Cost Principles

Criteria or specific requirement: The Food and Nutrition Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture stipulates, through laws and regulations, that all program funds are to be utilized to achieve the objectives of the child nutrition programs. Such objectives include the providing of nutritious meals to eligible children in public schools. Additionally, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-87 establishes principles and standards for determining allowable costs from federal awards.

Condition: Following an Arkansas State Police (ASP) investigation, the Prosecuting Attorney of the Tenth Judicial District filed a theft of property charge against the child nutrition director. The director was charged with selling food and supplies purchased with child nutrition program funds and failing to deposit the proceeds into the District's bank account. Based upon a limited review of food purchases from January through March 2011, the unaccounted for funds totaled \$4,057, as estimated by ASP.

Questioned Costs: The amount of questioned costs was \$4,057.

Context: Based upon a limited review of January through March 2011 food purchases, the ASP estimated the unaccounted for funds totaled \$4,057.

Effect: Questioned costs of \$4,057 were incurred and purchased food and supplies were privately sold instead of being utilized to further the objectives of the child nutrition programs.

Cause: Lack of internal controls and management oversight resulted in the use of child nutrition funds for unallowable activities and costs.

Recommendation: The District should implement proper controls over child nutrition program expenditures.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The District terminated the food service director at a legally held board meeting on June 9, 2011. All paperwork involving the Dermott School District cafeteria has been turned over to the proper authorities and the Arkansas Department of Education. A new food service director has been hired by the District.

DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Schedule 3

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCY

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
PASSED THROUGH STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER - CFDA NUMBERS 10.553 AND 10.555  
PASS-THROUGH NUMBER 09-01  
AUDIT PERIOD - YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

2011-3. Allowable Costs/Cost Principles

Criteria or specific requirement: Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-87 requires the preparation of periodic time certifications when an employee works solely on a single federal program.

Condition: Although standard payroll documentation supporting the employees' work in the applicable programs was available for audit inspection, periodic time certifications were not prepared for seven of the District's employees who worked solely in the child nutrition programs.

Context: Examination of documentation substantiating time worked by employees.

Effect: The District was unable to provide required documentation substantiating the time charged to the child nutrition programs.

Cause: There was no management oversight in the District's preparation of periodic time certifications for the child nutrition programs.

Recommendation: The District should prepare periodic time certifications for all applicable employees.

Views of responsible officials and planned corrective actions: The District has a new food service director who has been informed that time certification sheets are to be maintained on all workers in the cafeteria in a timely manner, and copies are to be turned into the District office twice a year.

DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS -  
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Schedule 4

There were no findings in the prior audit.

DERMOTT SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS  
 SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS - REGULATORY BASIS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011  
 (Unaudited)

<b>General Fund</b>	Year Ended June 30,				
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Assets	\$ 802,200	\$ 949,785	\$ 1,379,990	\$ 1,574,954	\$ 1,589,241
Total Liabilities	1,586	47,213	31,540	16,493	2,189
Total Fund Balances	800,614	902,572	1,348,450	1,558,461	1,587,052
Total Revenues	4,462,285	5,186,316	5,169,498	5,411,346	5,535,510
Total Expenditures	3,720,296	5,384,398	5,183,396	5,316,781	5,327,853
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(843,947)	(247,796)	(196,113)	(123,156)	(196,002)
 <b>Special Revenue Fund</b>					
Total Assets	130,051	266,261	293,289	383,167	341,315
Total Liabilities	757	2,646	17,873	589	
Total Fund Balances	129,294	263,615	275,416	382,578	341,315
Total Revenues	1,946,599	2,155,484	1,284,970	1,475,665	1,529,008
Total Expenditures	2,080,920	2,167,285	1,392,132	1,434,402	1,563,962
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
 <b>Other Aggregate Funds</b>					
Total Assets	899,522	537,426	158,790		
Total Liabilities	22,874		14,827		
Total Fund Balances	876,648	537,426	143,963		
Total Revenues	173,473	241,026	33		
Total Expenditures	678,198	598,678	256,540	193,606	196,102
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	843,947	751,115	400,470	193,606	196,002