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SIMPSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Audited Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

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Ridgeland, MS

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FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Superintendent and School Board
Simpson County School District

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Simpson County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the Simpson County School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Simpson County School District's management. My responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my 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 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 the 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 above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Simpson County School District as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, I have also issued my report dated June 25, 2008, on my consideration of the Simpson County School District's internal control over financial reporting and on my 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 my 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 my audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Budgetary Comparison Schedule and related notes are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Simpson County School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. In addition, the Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures – Governmental Funds is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Mississippi State Auditor's Office. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



Ridgeland, MS
June 25, 2008

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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SIMPSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

The discussion and analysis of Simpson County School District's financial performance provides an overall narrative review of the School District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2007. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's performance as a whole; readers should also review the financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance. Information contained in this section is qualified by the more detailed information contained elsewhere in this district's financial statements, notes to financial statements and any accompanying materials. To the extent this discussion contains any forward-looking statements of the district's plans, objectives, expectations and prospects, the actual results could differ materially from those discussed herein.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Total net assets increased \$1,765,479, which represents 7.6% increase from fiscal year 2006.
- General revenues account for \$24,600,212 in revenue, or 78.1% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants and contributions accounted for \$6,897,389 or 21.9% of total revenues.
- The District had \$30,200,397 in expenses; only \$6,897,389 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$24,600,212 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among major funds, the General Fund had \$24,109,635 in revenues and \$21,888,790 in expenditures. The General Fund's fund balance decreased \$8,308 from the prior year.
- Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, decreased by \$112,531.
- Long-term debt decreased by \$313,197.

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements. The District'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 District's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. These statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and include all assets and liabilities.

The statement of net assets presents information on all the District'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 District is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the District'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 the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal years.

The government-wide financial statements outline functions of the District that are principally supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the District include instruction, support services, non-instructional, sixteenth section and interest and other expenses on long-term liabilities.

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 District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary 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 current 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 the District's current financing requirements. Governmental funds are reported using modified accrual accounting. This method of accounting measures cash and other assets that can be easily converted to cash. The governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view of the school district's operations.

Because 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 District's current 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 District maintains individual governmental funds in accordance with the *Financial Accounting Manual for Mississippi Public School Districts*. 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 all major funds. All other non-major funds are combined together and presented in these reports as other governmental funds.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because resources of those funds are not available to support the District's own programs. The accrual basis of accounting is used for fiduciary funds. The school district is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purpose.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to have 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 District's budget process.

The District adopts an annual operating budget for all governmental funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund and each additional major special revenue fund.

Additionally, a schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by OMB Cir. A-133 and a schedule of instructional, administrative and other expenditures for governmental funds can be found in this report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net assets. Net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of the District, assets exceeded liabilities by \$25,097,861 as of June 30, 2007.

By far the largest portion of the District's net assets (63.9%) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, improvements other than buildings, mobile equipment, and furniture and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The District uses these capital assets to provide services to its students; consequently these assets are not available for future spending.

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

The following table presents a summary of the District's net assets as of June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

	Net Assets		Percentage
	June 30, 2007	June 30, 2006	Change
Current assets	\$ 11,342,755	\$ 10,196,310	11.2 %
Non-depreciable capital assets	159,514	2,979,012	-94.6 %
Capital assets, net	19,295,471	16,588,504	16.3 %
Total assets	30,797,740	29,763,826	3.5 %
Current liabilities	1,973,237	2,391,605	-17.9 %
Long-term debt outstanding	3,726,642	4,039,839	-7.8 %
Total liabilities	5,699,879	6,431,444	-11.4 %
Net assets:			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	16,039,985	15,672,516	2.3 %
Restricted	3,385,236	4,595,012	-26.3 %
Unrestricted	5,672,640	3,064,854	85.1 %
Total net assets	\$ 25,097,861	23,332,382	7.6 %

The following are significant current year transactions that have had an impact on the Statement of Net Assets.

- The principal retirement of \$480,000 of long-term debt.
- The addition of \$3,398,505 in capital assets from the construction of a new school and related facilities.

Changes in net assets. The District's total revenues for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 were \$31,497,601. The total cost of all programs and services was \$30,200,397. The following table presents a summary of the changes in net assets for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

	Change in Net Assets		Percentage
	June 30, 2007	June 30, 2006	Change
Revenues:			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 682,133	\$ 348,517	95.7 %
Operating grants and contributions	6,215,256	7,082,807	-12.2 %
General revenues:			
Property taxes	5,132,131	4,990,469	2.8 %
Grants and contributions not restricted	18,680,213	17,205,083	8.6 %
Other	787,868	663,414	18.8 %
Total revenues	31,497,601	30,290,290	4.0 %
Expenses:			
Instruction	17,769,447	16,330,633	8.8 %
Support services	10,162,803	11,162,363	-9.0 %
Non-instructional	2,049,469	1,982,937	3.4 %
Sixteenth section	53,303	32,372	64.7 %
Interest and other expense on long-term liabilities	165,375	195,353	-15.3 %
Total expenses	30,200,397	29,703,658	1.7 %
Special Items	468,275	600,000	-22.0 %
Increase (Decrease) in net assets	1,765,479	1,186,632	48.8 %
Net Assets, July 1	23,332,382	22,145,750	5.4 %
Net Assets, June 30	\$ 25,097,861	\$ 23,332,382	7.6 %

Governmental activities. The following table presents the cost of five major District functional activities: instruction, support services, non-instructional, sixteenth section and interest and other expenses on long-term debt for fiscal years ending June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The table also shows each function's net cost (total cost less charges for services generated by the activities and intergovernmental aid provided for specific programs). The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the State and District's taxpayers by each of these functions.

	2007		2006	
	Total Expenses	Net(Expense) Revenue	Total Expenses	Net(Expense) Revenue
Instruction	\$17,769,447	\$(14,555,079)	\$16,330,633	\$(12,932,220)
Support services	10,162,803	(8,486,492)	11,162,363	(9,405,472)
Non-instructional	2,049,469	(42,759)	1,982,937	293,083
Sixteenth section	53,303	(53,303)	32,372	(32,372)
Interest and other expenses on long-term liabilities	165,375	(165,375)	195,353	(195,353)
Total expenses	\$30,200,397	\$(23,303,008)	\$29,703,658	\$(22,272,334)

- Net cost of governmental activities (\$23,303,008), was financed by general revenue, which is made up of primarily property taxes (\$5,132,131) and state revenue (\$18,562,359).
- Unrestricted investment earnings accounted for \$208,321 of funding.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on current inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the District's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the District's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$9,430,508, an increase of \$1,555,870. \$4,432,189 or 47% of the fund balance constitutes unreserved and undesignated fund balance, which is available for spending at the District's discretion. The remaining fund balance of \$4,998,319 or 53% is reserved or designated to indicate that it is not available for spending because it has already been committed.

The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the District. The decrease in fund balance in the General Fund for the fiscal year was \$8,308 a result of funds transfers to other funds for repairs, renovations and constructions costs. The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed a decrease of \$672,780.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the District revised the annual operating budget.

General Fund

- Local sources were increased due to greater amounts collected by the individual schools in activity and athletic accounts.
- State sources increased due to funding allotment changes.
- Federal sources increased due to funding allotment changes.
- Amendments were made to increase instruction expenditures and decrease support services based on needs during the fiscal year.

Child Nutrition

- Local sources increased due to an increase in the cost of meals charged to participants in the program.
- Federal sources decreased due to fewer participants utilizing the program.

- Noninstructional services increased due to increases in food costs.
- Transfers out reflect the indirect cost rate.

Title I

- Funds were amended to pay for more classroom instruction and less support and noninstructional services.

16th Section

- Timber sales were down due to the depressed timber market.
- Transfers out were not completed until fiscal year 2008.

A schedule showing the original and final budget amounts compared to the District's actual financial activity for the General Fund and other major special revenue funds is provided in this report as required supplementary information.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets. As of June 30, 2007, the District's total capital assets were \$28,798,451, including land, school buildings, buses, other school vehicles and furniture and equipment. This amount represents an increase of \$300,721 from the previous year. Total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2007 was \$9,343,466 and total depreciation expense for the year was \$771,671, resulting in total net assets of \$19,454,985.

	<u>Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation</u>		Percentage
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>Change</u>
Land	\$ 159,514	\$ 159,514	0.0 %
Construction in progress		2,819,498	-100.0 %
Buildings	17,595,944	14,612,840	20.4 %
Improvements other than buildings	20,559	20,559	0.0 %
Mobile equipment	1,370,124	1,581,740	-13.4 %
Furniture and equipment	308,844	373,365	-17.3 %
Total	\$19,454,985	\$ 19,567,516	0.6 %

Debt Administration. At June 30, 2007, the District had \$3,726,642 in general obligation bonds and other long-term debt outstanding, of which \$520,582 is due within one year.

	<u>Outstanding Debt</u>		Percentage
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>Change</u>
Limited obligation bonds payable	\$ 3,415,000	\$ 3,895,000	-12.3 %
Compensated absences payable	311,642	144,839	115.2 %
Total	\$ 3,726,642	\$ 4,039,839	-7.8 %

The District maintains an AAA bond rating with S & P.

CURRENT ISSUES

The Simpson County District is financially stable.

The District **has not** asked the taxing authority for a tax levy increase to support the operations of the District for the last few years and does not anticipate requesting an increase in local tax support in the near future.

The District awarded a construction contract of \$4,188,000 to construct new classrooms at Magee High School. This project is being funded through revenues generated by 16th section land management. The District **did not** have to ask for additional tax support to accomplish this project.

The District is proud of its community support for the public school system.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

If you have questions about this report, contact the Superintendent's Office of the Simpson County School District, 111 Education Lane, Mendenhall, MS 39114.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Simpson County School District
Statement of Net Assets
June 30, 2007

Exhibit A

	<u>Primary Government</u>
	<u>Governmental</u>
	<u>Activities</u>
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 7,329,642
Investments (Note 2)	\$ 360,526
Due from other governments	\$ 1,738,605
Other receivables, net	\$ 237,200
Inventories	\$ 63,127
Restricted assets (Note 2)	\$ 1,613,655
Non-depreciable capital assets (Note 4)	\$ 159,514
Depreciable capital assets, net (Note 4)	\$ 19,295,471
Total Assets	<u>\$ 30,797,740</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,900,468
Interest payable on long-term liabilities	\$ 60,990
Other payables	\$ 11,779
Long-term liabilities (Due within one year) (Note 5)	
Capital related liabilities	\$ 505,000
Non-capital related liabilities	\$ 15,582
Long-term liabilities (Due beyond one year) (Note 5)	
Capital related liabilities	\$ 2,910,000
Non-capital related liabilities	\$ 296,060
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 5,699,879</u>
Net assets	
Investment in capital assets (net of related debt)	\$ 16,039,985
Restricted net assets	
Expendable	
School-based activities	\$ 960,093
Debt service	\$ 639,015
Forestry improvements	\$ 25,102
Unemployment benefits	\$ 91,861
Non-expendable	
Sixteenth section	\$ 1,669,165
Unrestricted	<u>\$ 5,672,640</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 25,097,861</u>

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

Simpson County School District
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Exhibit B

Functions / Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Primary Government Governmental Activities
Primary Government				
Governmental Activities				
Instruction	\$ 17,769,447	\$ 168,163	\$ 3,046,205	\$ (14,555,079)
Support services	\$ 10,162,803	\$ 121,929	\$ 1,554,382	\$ (8,486,492)
Non-instructional	\$ 2,049,469	\$ 392,041	\$ 1,614,669	\$ (42,759)
Sixteenth section	\$ 53,303			\$ (53,303)
Interest and other expenses on long-term liabilities	\$ 165,375			\$ (165,375)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 30,200,397	\$ 682,133	\$ 6,215,256	\$ (23,303,008)
General Revenues				
Taxes				
General purpose levies				\$ 5,132,098
Debt purpose levies				\$ 33
Unrestricted grants and contributions				
State				\$ 18,562,359
Federal				\$ 117,854
Unrestricted investment earnings				\$ 208,321
Restricted investment earnings				\$ 38,061
Sixteenth section sources				\$ 535,321
Other				\$ 6,165
Total General Revenues				\$ 24,600,212
Special items (Note 9)				\$ 468,275
Total General Revenues and Special Items				\$ 25,068,487
Changes in Net Assets				\$ 1,765,479
Net Assets - Beginning				\$ 23,332,382
Net Assets - Ending				\$ 25,097,861

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

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Simpson County School District
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds
June 30, 2007

Exhibit C

	Major Funds						Total Governmental Funds
	General Fund	Child Nutrition Fund	Title I Fund	16th Section Interest Fund	Magee Upper Construction Fund	16th Section Principal Fund	
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 1,410,934	\$ 905,053		\$ 1,776,672	\$ 2,438,092	\$ 1,613,655	\$ 8,943,297
Investments (Note 2)							\$ 360,526
Due from other governments	\$ 521,729		\$ 463,530				\$ 1,738,605
Other receivables, net	\$ 2,460						\$ 2,460
Due from other funds (Note 3)	\$ 1,511,456				\$ 10,967		\$ 1,534,085
Advances to other funds (Note 3)							\$ 253,596
Inventories		\$ 63,127					\$ 63,127
Total Assets	\$ 3,446,579	\$ 968,180	\$ 463,530	\$ 1,776,672	\$ 2,449,059	\$ 1,867,251	\$ 12,895,696
Liabilities and Fund Balances							
Liabilities							
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	\$ 1,356,964	\$ 93,617	\$ 125,270	\$ 33,231			\$ 1,900,468
Due to other funds (Note 3)	\$ 1,663	\$ 371,707	\$ 338,260	\$ 30,795		\$ 198,086	\$ 1,299,345
Advances from other funds (Note 3)	\$ 253,596						\$ 253,596
Other payables	\$ 11,779						\$ 11,779
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,624,002	\$ 465,324	\$ 463,530	\$ 64,026	\$ -	\$ 198,086	\$ 3,465,188
Fund Balances							
Reserved for							
Debt service purposes							\$ 700,005
Permanent fund purposes						\$ 1,415,569	\$ 1,415,569
Unemployment benefits							\$ 91,861
Forestry improvements							\$ 25,102
Advances							\$ 253,596
Inventory		\$ 63,127					\$ 63,127
Unreserved							
Designated, reported in Capital projects funds					\$ 2,449,059		\$ 2,449,059

Undesignated, reported in									
General fund	\$ 1,822,577	\$ 439,729	\$ -	\$ 1,712,646	\$ 1,669,165	\$ 1,274,205	\$ 453,842	\$ 1,822,577	\$ 2,606,217
Special revenue funds							\$ 3,395	\$ 3,395	
Capital projects funds									
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$ 1,822,577</u>	<u>\$ 502,856</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,712,646</u>	<u>\$ 2,449,059</u>	<u>\$ 1,274,205</u>		<u>\$ 9,430,508</u>	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 3,446,579</u>	<u>\$ 968,180</u>	<u>\$ 463,530</u>	<u>\$ 1,776,672</u>	<u>\$ 2,449,059</u>	<u>\$ 1,924,425</u>		<u>\$ 12,895,696</u>	

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

Simpson County School District
Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Assets
June 30, 2007

Exhibit C-1

	<u>Amount</u>
Total fund balance - governmental funds	\$ 9,430,508
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets are used in governmental activities and are not financial resources, therefore the assets are not reported in the governmental funds, net of accumulated depreciation of \$9,343,467.	\$ 19,454,985
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period, therefore the long-term liabilities are not reported in the governmental funds.	\$ (3,726,642)
Accrued interest payable on long-term liabilities is not due and payable in the current period, therefore it is not reported in the governmental funds.	<u>\$ (60,990)</u>
Total net assets - governmental activities	<u>\$ 25,097,861</u>

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

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Simpson County School District
 Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Exhibit D

	Major Funds						Total Governmental Funds
	General Fund	Child Nutrition Fund	Title I Fund	16th Section Interest Fund	Magee Upper Construction Fund	16th Section Principal Fund	
Revenues							
Local sources	\$ 5,791,588	\$ 453,093					\$ 6,295,286
State sources	\$ 18,170,398	\$ 12,067					\$ 19,638,287
Federal sources	\$ 147,649	\$ 1,657,786	\$ 1,614,460				\$ 5,028,707
Sixteenth section sources				\$ 333,839		\$ 167,189	\$ 535,321
Total Revenues	\$ 24,109,635	\$ 2,122,946	\$ 1,614,460	\$ 333,839	\$ -	\$ 167,189	\$ 31,497,601
Expenditures							
Instruction	\$ 13,779,559		\$ 1,064,256				\$ 17,420,648
Support services	\$ 8,107,136	\$ 115,093	\$ 499,552				\$ 9,695,943
Noninstructional services		\$ 1,962,578	\$ 35,652				\$ 2,007,157
Sixteenth section							\$ 53,303
Facilities acquisition and construction							\$ 579,007
Debt service							
Principal (Note 5)	\$ 2,095						\$ 480,000
Interest							\$ 173,241
Other							\$ 707
Total Expenditures	\$ 21,888,790	\$ 2,077,671	\$ 1,599,460	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,844,085
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 2,220,845	\$ 45,275	\$ 15,000	\$ 333,839	\$ -	\$ 167,189	\$ (1,694,553)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)							
Insurances loss recoveries	\$ 468,275						\$ 468,275
Operating transfers in (Note 3)	\$ 230,732				\$ 1,849,059		\$ 3,332,951
Operating transfers out (Note 3)	\$ (2,928,160)	\$ (75,000)	\$ (15,000)			\$ (83,404)	\$ (3,332,951)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ (2,229,153)	\$ (75,000)	\$ (15,000)	\$ -	\$ 1,849,059	\$ (83,404)	\$ 468,275
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ (8,308)	\$ (29,725)	\$ -	\$ 333,839	\$ 1,849,059	\$ 83,785	\$ (672,780)
							\$ 1,555,870

Simpson County School District
 Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
 and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities
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Exhibit D-1

	<u>Amount</u>
Net change in fund balance - governmental funds	\$ 1,555,870
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital assets as expenditures while governmental activities report depreciation to allocate those expenditures over the life of the assets. Capital assets purchased amounted to \$720,164 and the depreciation expense amounted to \$771,671.	\$ (51,507)
Payment on the principal on long-term liabilities is reported as expenditures in the governmental funds, but the payment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of activities.	\$ 480,000
Expenses associated with changes in the compensated absences liability is reported in the statement of activities, but is not reported in the governmental funds.	\$ (166,803)
The sale and/or disposal of capital assets is reported as other financing sources in the governmental funds, but is reported as a reduction of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, along with the loss on the sale/disposal of capital assets on the statement of activities.	\$ (61,026)
Accrued interest payable is reported in the statement of activities, but is not reported in the governmental funds.	\$ 8,574
The governmental funds reported a decrease in reserve for inventory while the transaction is not reported in the statement of activities.	<u>\$ 371</u>
Changes in net assets of governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,765,479</u>

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

Simpson County School District
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
June 30, 2007

Exhibit E

	<u>Agency Funds</u>
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 311,664
Accrued interest receivable	\$ 647
Due from other funds (Note 3)	<u>\$ 39,607</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 351,918</u></u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 5,600
Due to other funds (Note 3)	\$ 274,347
Due to student clubs	<u>\$ 71,971</u>
Total Liabilities	<u><u>\$ 351,918</u></u>

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

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Notes to Financial Statements
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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.

The accompanying basic financial statements of the school district have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). GASB is the accepted standard setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The most significant of the school district's accounting policies are described below.

A. Financial Reporting Entity.

For financial reporting purposes, the reporting entity includes all funds that are covered by the oversight responsibility of the school district's governing board. As defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the school district is considered a "primary government." The school district is governed by a five member board. Each member was elected by the citizens of the school district.

B. Basis of Presentation.

The school district's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net assets and a statement of activities and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

Government-Wide Financial Statements:

The Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for fiduciary funds, if applicable. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange revenues.

The Statement of Net Assets presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the school district at year-end. The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the school district's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program. It also includes grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the school district, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the school district.

Fund Financial Statements:

Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be separate accounting entities. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses. Funds are organized into two major categories: governmental and fiduciary. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental category.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting as are the Fiduciary Fund financial statements. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used regardless of when the related cash flow takes place. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place. Program revenues on the Statement of Activities consist primarily of state appropriations and federal awards.

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In the fund financial statements, governmental funds and agency funds are presented using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when "measurable and available". Measurable means knowing or being able to reasonably estimate the amount. Available means collectible within the current period or within sixty days after year end. Property taxes, state appropriations and federal awards associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Expenditures (including capital outlay) are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for general obligation bond principal and interest which are reported when due.

The school district reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund – This is the school district's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the school district, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Child Nutrition Fund – This special revenue fund is used to account for the food service program of the district. This program is financed with Federal, state and local funds.

Title I Fund – This special revenue fund is financed with Federal funds and is used to account for program funds used for educationally deprived children.

Sixteen Section Interest Fund – This fund is used to account for the expendable financial resources generated from the use of sixteenth section trust lands.

Magee Upper Construction Fund – This capital projects fund is used to account for the construction, repairs and renovations of school buildings and facilities. This fund is financed with local funds.

Sixteenth Section Principal Fund – This fund is used to account for the non-expendable resources from the sale of non-renewable resources on sixteenth section lands.

All other governmental funds not meeting the criteria established for major funds are presented in the other governmental column of Exhibit C.

Additionally the school district reports the following fund types:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted for specific expenditure purposes.

Capital Projects Funds - Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

Debt Service Funds - Debt Service Funds are used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest and related costs.

Permanent Funds - Permanent Funds are used to account for resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, and not the principal, may be used for purposes that support the district's programs.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Agency Funds - Agency Funds are used to report resources held by the district in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

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D. Account Classifications.

The account classifications used in the financial statements conform to the broad classifications recommended in *Governmental Accounting, Auditing and Financial Reporting* as issued in 2005 by the Government Finance Officers Association and are consistent with the broad classifications recommended in the *Financial Accounting for Local and State School Systems, 2003* issued by the U.S. Department of Education.

E. Encumbrances.

An encumbrance system is not maintained to account for commitments resulting from approved purchase orders, work orders and contracts.

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents.

The school district deposits excess funds in the financial institutions selected by the school board. State statutes specify how these depositories are to be selected.

Cash and cash equivalents consist of amounts on deposit in demand accounts and certificates of deposits with maturities of three months or less. Cash and cash equivalents are valued at cost.

G. Investments.

The school district can invest its excess funds, as permitted by Section 29-3-113, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), in interest-bearing deposits or other obligations of the types described in Section 27-105-33, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), or in any other type investment in which any other agency, instrumentality or subdivision of the state of Mississippi may invest, except that 100% of said funds are authorized to be so invested.

For accounting purposes, certificates of deposit are classified as investments if they have a maturity greater than three months when acquired.

Investments are reported at fair value.

H. Inventories and Prepaid Items.

Donated commodities are received from the USDA and are valued at USDA cost. Other inventories are valued at cost (calculated on the first-in, first-out basis).

The costs of governmental fund type inventories are reported as expenditures when purchased.

Prepaid items, such as prepaid insurance, are not reported for governmental fund types since the costs of such items are accounted for as expenditures in the period of acquisition.

I. Capital Assets.

Capital asset acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in the governmental fund statements and the related assets are reported as capital assets in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements.

Capital assets are reported at actual or estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost. Contributed assets are reported at estimated fair value at the time received.

Capitalization thresholds (dollar value above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts) and estimated useful lives of capital assets are reported in the government-wide statements. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis for all assets, except land. The following schedule details those thresholds.

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	Capitalization Policy	Estimated Useful Life
Land	\$ 0	0
Buildings	\$ 50,000	40 years
Building improvements	\$ 25,000	20 years
Improvements other than buildings	\$ 25,000	20 years
Mobile equipment	\$ 5,000	5-10 years
Furniture and equipment	\$ 5,000	3-7 years
Leased property under capital leases	*	*

(*) The threshold amount will correspond with the amounts for the asset classifications, as listed. See Note 4 for details.

J. Long-term liabilities.

Long-term liabilities are the unmatured principal of bonds, warrants, notes, or other forms of noncurrent or long-term general obligation indebtedness. Long-term liabilities are not limited to liabilities from debt issuances, but may also include liabilities on lease-purchase agreements and other commitments. In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities column. (See Note 5 for details).

K. Interfund Transactions and Balances.

Interfund transactions and balances are the result of timing differences between the date expenses/expenditures occur and the date payments are made.

Short-term (due within one year) interfund loan receivables are reported as "due from other funds" and are considered available expendable resources. Noncurrent portions of long-term interfund loan receivables are reported as advances and are offset equally by a fund balance reserve account which indicates that they do not constitute expendable available financial resources and, therefore, are not available for appropriation.

Transfers are used to (a) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and to (b) use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

Interfund receivables and payables between funds within governmental activities are eliminated in the Statement of Net Assets. See Note 3 for details for interfund transactions, including receivables and payables at year-end.

L. Equity Classifications.

Government-Wide Financial Statements:

Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

- a. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt - Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, constructions, or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted net assets - Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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- c. Unrestricted net assets - All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

Fund Financial Statements:

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved, with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated.

Fund reserves are portions of fund equity that are legally segregated for a specific future use or are not available for current operations. Following is a description of fund reserves used by the district:

Reserved for debt service purposes – An account that represents a portion of the fund balance that is legally restricted for the retirement of school district debt.

Reserved for permanent fund purposes – An account that represents a portion of the fund balances that is legally restricted for investment purposes or borrowing by the school board for capital expenditures.

Reserved for unemployment benefits – An account that represents a portion of the fund balance that is legally restricted for the payment of unemployment benefits.

Reserved for forestry improvements – An account that represents a portion of the fund balance that is legally restricted for improving sixteenth section forest lands.

Reserved for advances – An account used to offset advances recorded in the asset accounts since they do not constitute available spendable resources and are not a component of net current assets.

Reserved for inventory – An account that represents a portion of the fund balance which indicates that inventories do not represent available spendable resources even though they are a component of net current assets.

Unreserved - designated, reported in capital projects funds – An account that represents a portion of the unreserved fund balance that the school board has specifically obligated for future repairs, renovations, and construction projects of school district facilities.

M. Property Taxes.

Ad valorem property taxes are levied by the governing authority of the county on behalf of the school district based upon an order adopted by the school board of the school district requesting an ad valorem tax effort in dollars. Since the taxes are not levied and collected by the school district, the revenues to be generated by the annual levies are not recognized until the taxes are actually collected by the tax levying authority.

N. Mississippi Adequate Education Program Revenues.

Revenues from the adequate education program are appropriated on a fiscal year basis and are recorded at the time the revenues are received from the state of Mississippi.

O. Compensated Absences.

Employees of the school district accumulate sick leave at a minimum amount as required by state law or at a greater amount provided by school district policy. Some employees are allowed personal leave and/or vacation leave in accordance with school district policy. The district pays for unused leave for employees as required by Section 37-7-307(5), Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

The liability for these compensated absences is recorded as long-term liabilities in the government-wide statements. The current portion of this liability is estimated based on historical trends. In the fund

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financial statements, governmental funds report the compensated absence liability payable from expendable available financial resources only if the payable has matured, for example, an employee retires.

(2) Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments

The district follows the practice of aggregating the cash assets of various funds to maximize cash management efficiency and returns. Various restrictions on deposits and investments are imposed by statutes. These restrictions are summarized below:

Deposits. The school board must advertise and accept bids for depositories no less than once every three years as required by Section 37-7-333, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The collateral pledged for school district deposits in financial institutions are held in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the school district's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

Investments. Section 29-3-113 and 37-59-43, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), authorizes the school board to invest surplus funds in the types of investments authorized by Section 27-105-33 (d) and (e), Miss. Code Ann. (1972) and investments authorized under Section 27-105-365 Miss. Code Ann. (1972). That authority permits the following types of investments: (a) certificates of deposit and interest bearing accounts; (b) direct US Treasury obligations; (c) US Government agencies, US Government instrumentalities or US Government sponsored enterprise obligations; (d) direct security repurchase agreements and reverse direct security repurchase agreements of any federal book entry of those securities enumerated in (b) and (c) above; (e) direct obligations of the US in open-end or closed-end of any management type investment company; (f) in a trust consisting of pooled or commingled funds that includes investments in commercial paper and bankers acceptances or other short-term obligations issued by banks having one (1) of the two (2) highest short-term rating categories of either Standard Poor's Corporation or Moody's Investors Service, or corporate notes and bonds having one (1) of the three (3) highest long-term rating categories of either Standard Poor's Corporation or Moody's Investors Service, or in any open-ended or closed-ended management-type investment company or investment trust registered under the provisions or 15 USCS Section 80(a)-1 et seq. Investment income on bond funds (Capital Projects), bond sinking funds (Debt Service Funds) and sixteenth section principal funds (Permanent Funds) must be credited to those funds. Investment income of \$100 or more of any fund must be credited to that fund. Amounts less than \$100 can be credited to the General Fund.

Cash and Cash Equivalents.

The carrying amount of the school district's deposits with financial institutions reported in the governmental funds and fiduciary funds was \$8,943,297 and \$311,664, respectively. The carrying amount of deposits reported in the government-wide financial statements was: Cash and Cash Equivalents - \$7,329,642 and Restricted Assets - \$1,613,655. The Restricted Assets represents the cash balance of the sixteenth section principal fund (Permanent Fund) which is legally restricted and may not be used for purposes that support the district's programs. The bank balance was \$10,269,622.

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits. Custodial risk is the risk that in the event of a depository failure, the school district deposits may not be returned to it. The school district does not have a formal policy for custodial credit risk. However, state law permits the Mississippi State Treasurer's office to manage that risk on behalf of the school district. Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the district. By signed agreement the Mississippi State Treasurer's office is acting on behalf of the school district.

Investments.

The school district had the following investments at year end:

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<u>Investment</u>	<u>Credit Rating</u>	<u>Maturities</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
External Investment Pool			
Money Market Fund	AAAm	Various	\$ <u>360,526</u>

Investments are reported at fair value which is based on quoted market price. Nonparticipating investment contracts such as nonnegotiable certificates of deposit are reported at cost.

Interest Rate Risk. The school district does not have a formal investment policy that limits investments maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Concentration of Credit Risk. The district does not have a policy that limits investment types.

(3) **Interfund Transactions and Balances.**

The following is a summary of interfund transactions and balances:

A. **Due From/To Other Funds.**

	<u>Due From</u>	<u>Due To</u>
Governmental funds		
General fund	\$ 1,511,456	\$ 1,663
Child nutrition fund		\$ 371,707
Title I fund		\$ 338,260
16 th section interest fund		\$ 30,795
Magee upper construction fund	\$ 10,967	
16 th Section principal fund		\$ 198,086
Other governmental funds	\$ 11,662	\$ 358,834
Fiduciary funds	\$ 39,607	\$ 274,347
Total funds	<u>\$ 1,573,692</u>	<u>\$ 1,573,692</u>

The Due From/To Other Funds was for routine year end closing and moving funds for the purpose of financing locally funded construction and renovation projects.

B. **Advances To/From Other Funds.**

	<u>Advances To</u>	<u>Advances From</u>
Governmental funds		
General fund		\$ 253,596
16 th section principal fund	\$ 253,596	
Total funds	<u>\$ 253,596</u>	<u>\$ 253,596</u>

The sixteenth section principal loans payable is not reflected on the Statement of Net Assets because these transactions represent long-term interfund borrowing by the General Fund from the Sixteenth Section Trust Fund (Permanent Trust) in accordance with Section 29-3-113, Miss. Code Ann., 1972).

Sixteenth section principal loans payable.

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due on this debt:

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Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	\$ 66,282	\$ 13,883	\$ 80,165
2009	\$ 46,828	\$ 11,239	\$ 58,067
2010	\$ 46,828	\$ 9,366	\$ 56,194
2011	\$ 46,828	\$ 7,492	\$ 54,320
2012	\$ 46,830	\$ 5,619	\$ 52,449
Total	\$ 253,596	\$ 47,599	\$ 301,195

C. Transfers In/Out.

	Transfer In	Transfers Out
Governmental funds:		
General fund	\$ 230,732	\$ 2,928,160
Child nutrition fund		\$ 75,000
Title I fund		\$ 15,000
Magee upper construction fund	\$ 1,849,059	
16 th section principal fund		\$ 83,404
Other governmental funds	\$ 1,253,160	\$ 231,387
Total funds	\$ 3,332,951	\$ 3,332,951

The Transfers In/Out were for the purpose of closing out certain federal funds at year end, transferring indirect cost generated on certain federal funds and financing locally funded construction and renovation projects.

(4) Capital Assets.

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for governmental activities:

	Balance 7-1-2006	Additions	Retirements	Completed Construction	Balance 6-30-2007
Non-depreciable capital assets:					
Land	\$ 159,514				\$ 159,514
Construction in progress	\$ 2,819,498	\$ 579,007		\$ (3,398,505)	\$ 0
Total non-depreciable capital assets	\$ 2,979,012	\$ 579,007	\$ 0	\$ (3,398,505)	\$ 159,514
Depreciable capital assets:					
Buildings	\$ 19,846,434			\$ 3,398,505	\$ 22,244,939
Improvements other than buildings	\$ 102,791				\$ 102,791
Mobile equipment	\$ 4,033,501	\$ 62,950	\$ (387,836)		\$ 3,708,615
Furniture and equipment	\$ 1,535,992	\$ 78,207	\$ (31,607)		\$ 1,582,592
Total depreciable capital assets	\$ 25,518,718	\$ 141,157	\$ (419,443)	\$ 3,398,505	\$ 28,638,937
Less accumulated depreciation					
Buildings	\$ 5,233,594	\$ 415,401			\$ 5,648,995

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	Balance 7-1-2006	Additions	Retirements	Completed Construction	Balance 6-30-2007
Improvements other than buildings	\$ 82,232				\$ 82,232
Mobile equipment	\$ 2,451,761	\$ 214,767	\$ (328,037)		\$ 2,338,491
Furniture and equipment	\$ 1,162,627	\$ 141,503	\$ (30,382)		\$ 1,273,748
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>\$ 8,930,214</u>	<u>\$ 771,671</u>	<u>\$ (358,419)</u>		<u>\$ 9,343,466</u>
Total depreciable capital assets, net	<u>\$ 16,588,504</u>	<u>\$ (630,514)</u>	<u>\$ (61,024)</u>	<u>\$ 3,398,505</u>	<u>\$ 19,295,471</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 19,567,516</u>	<u>\$ (51,507)</u>	<u>\$ (61,024)</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 19,454,985</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

	Amount
Instruction	\$ 398,899
Support services	\$ 321,112
Non-instructional	\$ 51,660
Total depreciation expense	<u>\$ 771,671</u>

(5) Long-term liabilities.

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities and other obligations for governmental activities:

	Balance 7-1-2006	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6-30-2007	Amounts due within one year
A. Limited obligation bonds payable	\$ 3,895,000		\$ 480,000	\$ 3,415,000	\$ 505,000
B. Compensated absences payable	\$ 144,839	\$ 166,803		\$ 311,642	\$ 15,582
Total	<u>\$ 4,039,839</u>	<u>\$ 166,803</u>	<u>\$ 480,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,726,642</u>	<u>\$ 520,582</u>

A. Limited obligation bonds payable.

Limited obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the school district. Limited obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
State aid capital Improvement bonds	Varies	6-15-98	6-1-12	\$ 6,520,000	\$ 3,415,000

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due on this debt:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	\$ 505,000	\$ 138,359	\$ 643,359
2009	\$ 530,000	\$ 115,719	\$ 645,719

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Year Ending	Principal	Interest	Total
June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2010	\$ 555,000	\$ 91,984	\$ 646,984
2011	\$ 580,000	\$ 67,156	\$ 647,156
2012	\$ 610,000	\$ 41,125	\$ 651,125
2013	\$ 635,000	\$ 13,891	\$ 648,891
Total	<u>\$ 3,415,000</u>	<u>\$ 468,234</u>	<u>\$ 3,883,234</u>

This debt will be retired from the MAEP Bond Debt Service Fund.

The state aid capital improvement bonds are secured by an irrevocable pledge of certain revenues the district receives from the state of Mississippi pursuant to the Mississippi Accountability and Adequate Education Program Act, Sections 37-151-1 through 37-151-7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The state aid capital improvement bonds are not included in the computation of the debt limit percentage.

B. Compensated absences payable.

As more fully explained in Note 1(O), compensated absences payable is adjusted on an annual basis as required by Section 37-7-307(5), Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salary was paid.

(6) Defined Benefit Pension Plan.

Plan Description. The school district contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS 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 may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201 or by calling (601) 359-3589 or 1-800-444-PERS.

Funding Policy. PERS members are required to contribute 7.25% of their annual covered salary, and the school district is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 11.3% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of PERS members and employers are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature. The school district's contributions to PERS for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$1,833,755, \$1,602,123 and \$1,506,697, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year.

(7) Sixteenth Section Lands.

Sixteenth section school lands, or lands granted in lieu thereof, constitute property held in trust for the benefit of the public schools. The school board, under the general supervision of the Office of the Secretary of State, has control and jurisdiction of said school trust lands and of all funds arising from any disposition thereof. It is the duty of the school board to manage the school trust lands and all funds arising therefrom as trust property. Accordingly, the board shall assure that adequate compensation is received for all uses of the trust lands, except for uses by the public schools. The following are the future rental payments to be made to the school district for the use of school trust lands. These future rental payments are from existing leases and do not anticipate renewals or new leases.

Year Ending	Amount
June 30	Amount
2008	\$ 107,283
2009	\$ 83,316

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Year Ending June 30	Amount
2010	\$ 66,446
2011	\$ 47,935
2012	\$ 42,997
2013 – 2017	\$ 126,160
2018 – 2022	\$ 73,945
2023 – 2027	\$ 22,590
2028 – 2032	\$ 22,590
Thereafter	\$ 53,240
Total	\$ 646,502

(8) Risk Management.

The school 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. Except as described below, the district carries commercial insurance for these risks. Settled claims resulting from these insured risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Participation in Public Entity Risk Pool.

The school district is a member of the Mississippi Municipal Workers' Compensation Group (MMWCG). The group is a risk-sharing pool; such a pool is frequently referred to as a self-insurance pool. MMWCG covers risks of loss arising from injuries to the school district's employees. The Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission requires that an indemnity agreement be executed by each member in a workers' compensation self-insurance pool for the purpose of jointly and severally binding the pool and each of the employers comprising the group to meet the workers' compensation obligations of each member. Each member of the MMWCG contributes quarterly to a fund held in trust. The funds in the trust account are used to pay any claim up to \$500,000. For a claim exceeding \$500,000 MMWCG has insurance which will pay the excess up to the statutory limit. If total claims during a year were to deplete the trust account, then the pool members would be required to pay for the deficiencies. The district has not had an additional assessment for excess losses incurred by the pool.

(9) Special Items.

During the 2007 FY, the school district received \$468,275 from an insurance carrier for the losses incurred to school district buildings and related facilities.

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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Simpson County School District
 Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the General Fund
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
	Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 5,407,150	\$ 5,785,423	\$ 5,791,588	\$ 378,273	\$ 6,165
State sources	\$ 18,153,613	\$ 18,170,398	\$ 18,170,398	\$ 16,785	\$ -
Federal sources	\$ 49,000	\$ 147,649	\$ 147,649	\$ 98,649	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 23,609,763</u>	<u>\$ 24,103,470</u>	<u>\$ 24,109,635</u>	<u>\$ 493,707</u>	<u>\$ 6,165</u>
Expenditures					
Instruction	\$ 13,593,695	\$ 13,779,559	\$ 13,779,559	\$ 185,864	\$ -
Support services	\$ 8,834,686	\$ 8,107,136	\$ 8,107,136	\$ (727,550)	\$ -
Debt service					
Interest	\$ 2,095	\$ 2,095	\$ 2,095	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 22,430,476</u>	<u>\$ 21,888,790</u>	<u>\$ 21,888,790</u>	<u>\$ (541,686)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>\$ 1,179,287</u>	<u>\$ 2,214,680</u>	<u>\$ 2,220,845</u>	<u>\$ 1,035,393</u>	<u>\$ 6,165</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Insurance loss recoveries	\$ -	\$ 468,275	\$ 468,275	\$ 468,275	\$ -
Sale of transportation equipment	\$ -	\$ 6,165	\$ -	\$ 6,165	\$ (6,165)
Operating transfers in	\$ 2,327,586	\$ 2,778,847	\$ 230,732	\$ 451,261	\$ (2,548,115)
Operating transfers out	\$ (3,563,046)	\$ (5,476,275)	\$ (2,928,160)	\$ (1,913,229)	\$ 2,548,115
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>\$ (1,235,460)</u>	<u>\$ (2,222,988)</u>	<u>\$ (2,229,153)</u>	<u>\$ (987,528)</u>	<u>\$ (6,165)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>\$ (56,173)</u>	<u>\$ (8,308)</u>	<u>\$ (8,308)</u>	<u>\$ 47,865</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Fund Balances					
July 1, 2006	<u>\$ 2,087,464</u>	<u>\$ 1,830,885</u>	<u>\$ 1,830,885</u>	<u>\$ (256,579)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
June 30, 2007	<u>\$ 2,031,291</u>	<u>\$ 1,822,577</u>	<u>\$ 1,822,577</u>	<u>\$ (208,714)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this statement.

Simpson County School District
 Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the Major Special Revenue Fund - Child Nutrition Fund
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues					
Local sources	\$ 424,000	\$ 453,093	\$ 453,093	\$ 29,093	\$ -
State sources	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,067	\$ 12,067	\$ 67	\$ -
Federal sources	\$ 1,680,000	\$ 1,657,786	\$ 1,657,786	\$ (22,214)	\$ -
Total Revenues	\$ 2,116,000	\$ 2,122,946	\$ 2,122,946	\$ 6,946	\$ -
Expenditures					
Support services	\$ 134,354	\$ 115,093	\$ 115,093	\$ (19,261)	\$ -
Noninstructional services	\$ 1,931,646	\$ 1,962,578	\$ 1,962,578	\$ 30,932	\$ -
Total Expenditures	\$ 2,066,000	\$ 2,077,671	\$ 2,077,671	\$ 11,671	\$ -
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 50,000	\$ 45,275	\$ 45,275	\$ (4,725)	\$ -
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Operating transfers out	\$ (50,000)	\$ (75,000)	\$ (75,000)	\$ (25,000)	\$ -
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ (50,000)	\$ (75,000)	\$ (75,000)	\$ (25,000)	\$ -
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ -	\$ (29,725)	\$ (29,725)	\$ (29,725)	\$ -
Fund Balances					
July 1, 2006	\$ 485,000	\$ 532,210	\$ 532,210	\$ 47,210	\$ -
Increase in reserve for inventory	\$ -	\$ 371	\$ 371	\$ 371	\$ -
June 30, 2007	\$ 485,000	\$ 502,856	\$ 502,856	\$ 17,856	\$ -

The notes to the required supplemental information are an integral part of this statement.

Simpson County School District
 Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the Major Special Revenue Fund - Title I Fund
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
Revenues					
Federal sources	\$ 1,601,638	\$ 1,614,460	\$ 1,614,460	\$ 12,822	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 1,601,638</u>	<u>\$ 1,614,460</u>	<u>\$ 1,614,460</u>	<u>\$ 12,822</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Expenditures					
Instruction	\$ 995,214	\$ 1,064,256	\$ 1,064,256	\$ 69,042	\$ -
Support services	\$ 519,187	\$ 499,552	\$ 499,552	\$ (19,635)	\$ -
Noninstructional services	\$ 72,237	\$ 35,652	\$ 35,652	\$ (36,585)	\$ -
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 1,586,638</u>	<u>\$ 1,599,460</u>	<u>\$ 1,599,460</u>	<u>\$ 12,822</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>\$ 15,000</u>	<u>\$ 15,000</u>	<u>\$ 15,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Operating transfers out	\$ (15,000)	\$ (15,000)	\$ (15,000)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>\$ (15,000)</u>	<u>\$ (15,000)</u>	<u>\$ (15,000)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Fund Balances					
July 1, 2006	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
June 30, 2007	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this statement.

Simpson County School District
 Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the Major Special Revenue Fund - 16th Section Interest Fund
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
	Revenues				
Sixteenth section sources	\$ 475,000	\$ 333,839	\$ 333,839	\$ (141,161)	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 475,000</u>	<u>\$ 333,839</u>	<u>\$ 333,839</u>	<u>\$ (141,161)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>\$ 475,000</u>	<u>\$ 333,839</u>	<u>\$ 333,839</u>	<u>\$ (141,161)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Operating transfers in	\$ 21,350	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (21,350)	\$ -
Operating transfers out	\$ (495,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 495,000	\$ -
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>\$ (473,650)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 473,650</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>\$ 1,350</u>	<u>\$ 333,839</u>	<u>\$ 333,839</u>	<u>\$ 332,489</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Fund Balances					
July 1, 2006	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,378,807</u>	<u>\$ 1,378,807</u>	<u>\$ 1,278,807</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
June 30, 2007	<u>\$ 101,350</u>	<u>\$ 1,712,646</u>	<u>\$ 1,712,646</u>	<u>\$ 1,611,296</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this statement.

Simpson County School District
Notes to the Required Supplemental Information
For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

(1) Basis of Presentation.

The Budgetary Comparison Schedules present the original legally adopted budget, the final legally adopted budget, the actual data on the GAAP basis, variances between the original budget and the final budget and variances between the final budget and the actual data.

(2) Budget Amendments and Revisions.

The budget is adopted by the school board and filed with the taxing authority. Amendments can be made on the approval of the school board. By statute, final budget revisions must be approved on or before October 15 following the end of the fiscal year. A budgetary comparison is presented for the general fund and each major special revenue fund on the same basis of accounting as the budget which is consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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Simpson County School District
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Federal Grantor/ Pass-through Grantor/ Program Title	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No.	Federal Expenditures
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>		
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:		
Non-cash assistance:		
Food donation	10.550	\$ <u>136,549</u>
Child nutrition cluster:		
School breakfast program	10.553	\$ 442,917
National school lunch program	10.555	\$ <u>1,573,205</u>
Total child nutrition cluster		\$ <u>2,016,122</u>
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		\$ <u>2,152,671</u>
<u>Federal Communications Commission</u>		
Administered through the Universal Service Administrative Company:		
The school and libraries program of the universal service fund	32.XXX	\$ <u>20,971</u>
Total Federal Communications Commission		\$ <u>20,971</u>
<u>U.S. Department of Education</u>		
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:		
Title I - grants to local educational agencies	84.010	\$ 1,627,522
Career and technical education - basic grants to states	84.048	\$ 75,515
Safe and drug-free schools and communities - state grants	84.186	\$ 42,752
State grants for innovative programs	84.298	\$ 14,042
Improving teacher quality – state grants	84.367	\$ 411,515
Grants for state assessments and related activities	84.369	\$ <u>23,359</u>
Total		\$ <u>2,194,705</u>
Special education cluster:		
Special education - grants to states	84.027	\$ 988,726
Special education - preschool grants	84.173	\$ <u>43,518</u>
Total special education cluster		\$ <u>1,032,244</u>
Total passed-through Mississippi Department of Education		\$ <u>3,226,949</u>
Total U.S. Department of Education		\$ <u>3,226,949</u>
<u>Corporation for National and Community Service</u>		
Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education:		
Learn and serve America - school and community based programs	94.004	\$ <u>801</u>
Total Corporation for National and Community Service		\$ <u>801</u>
Total for All Federal Awards		\$ <u>5,401,392</u>

NOTES TO SCHEDULE

1. This schedule was prepared using the same basis of accounting and the same significant accounting policies, as applicable, used for the basic financial statements.
2. The expenditure amounts include transfers out.
3. The pass-through entities did not assign identifying numbers to the school district.

Simpson County School District
 Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures - Governmental Funds
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures</u>	<u>General Administrative</u>	<u>School Administration</u>	<u>Other</u>
Salaries and fringe benefits	\$ 21,365,627	\$ 16,108,099	\$ 1,034,387	\$ 1,785,800	\$ 2,437,341
Other	\$ 9,044,379	\$ 3,056,279	\$ 408,047	\$ 160,114	\$ 5,419,939
Total	<u>\$ 30,410,006</u>	<u>\$ 19,164,378</u>	<u>\$ 1,442,434</u>	<u>\$ 1,945,914</u>	<u>\$ 7,857,280</u>
Total number of students	<u>4,204</u>				
Cost per student	<u>\$ 7,234</u>	<u>\$ 4,559</u>	<u>\$ 343</u>	<u>\$ 463</u>	<u>\$ 1,869</u>

Notes to the schedule.

Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures - includes the activities dealing directly with the interaction between teachers and students. Included here are the activities of teachers, teachers aides or classroom assistants of any type.

General Administration - includes expenditures for the following functions: Support Services - General Administration and Support Services - Business.

School Administration - includes expenditures for the following function: Support Services - School Administration.

Other - includes all expenditure functions not included in Instruction or Administration Categories.

Total number of students - the ADA report submission for month 9, which is the final submission for the school year.

REPORTS ON INTERNAL CONTROLS AND COMPLIANCE

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

Superintendent and School Board
Simpson County School District

I have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Simpson County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the district's basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated June 25, 2008. I conducted my 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

In planning and performing my audit, I considered the school district's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the school district's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the school district's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency 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 misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the school district's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the school district's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the school district's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the school district's internal control.

My consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. I did not identify any deficiency in the internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be material weaknesses, as described above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the school district's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement 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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the district's school board and management, entities with accreditation overview, and 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chad J. Smith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Chad" being the most prominent.

Ridgeland, MS

June 25, 2008

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Superintendent and School Board
Simpson County School District

Compliance

I have audited the compliance of the Simpson County School District 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 each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007. 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 school district's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on the school district's compliance based on my audit.

I conducted my 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 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 school district's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as I considered 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 school district's compliance with those requirements.

In my opinion, Simpson County School District complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2007

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the Simpson County School 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 my audit, I considered the school district'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, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the school district's internal control over compliance.

A control deficiency in an entity's internal control over compliance 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 noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

My consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that I consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the district's school board and management, entities with accreditation overview, and 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.



Ridgeland, MS
June 25, 2008

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Superintendent and School Board
Simpson County School District

I have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Simpson County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise Simpson County School District's basic financial statements and have issued my report thereon dated June 25, 2008. I conducted my 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.

Section 37-9-18(3)(a), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), states in part, "the Auditor shall test to insure that the school district is complying with the requirements of Section 37-61-33(3)(a)(iii), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), relating to classroom supply funds."

The results of my procedures performed to test compliance with the requirements of Section 37-61-33(3)(a)(iii), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), disclosed no instances of noncompliance. The district reported \$4,372 of classroom supply funds carried over from previous years.

Section 37-9-18(3)(b), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), states in part, "the Auditor shall test to insure correct and appropriate coding at the function level. The audit must include a report showing the correct and appropriate functional level expenditure codes in expenditures by the school district."

The results of my procedures performed to test compliance with the requirements of Section 37-9-18(3)(b), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), disclosed no instances of noncompliance related to incorrect or inappropriate functional level expenditure coding.

As required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, I have also performed procedures to test compliance with certain other state laws and regulations. However, providing an opinion on compliance with state laws and regulations was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

The results of procedures performed to test compliance with certain other laws and regulations as required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor and my audit of the basic financial statements disclosed the following immaterial instances of noncompliance with state laws and regulations. My findings and recommendations and your responses are as follows:

2007-01

Finding:

The school district failed to submit year end financial statements with the Mississippi State Department of Education by October 15, 2007, as required by Section 37-61-21(2).

Recommendation:

To maintain compliance with state laws, the district should submit the financial data required by the Mississippi State Department of Education by the required deadline.

Response:

We concur and have taken the necessary steps to correct the deficiency noted.

2007-02

Finding:

The school district failed to use the exact wording as required by Section 27-39-207 in the Notice of Tax Increase.

Recommendation:

To maintain compliance with state laws, the district should use the exact wording as required by Section 27-39-207 in the Notice of Tax Increase.

Response:

We concur and have taken the necessary steps to correct the deficiency noted.

I did not audit the school district's response and, accordingly, I express no opinion on it.

The Office of the State Auditor or a public accounting firm will review, on the subsequent year's audit engagement, the finding in this report to insure that corrective action has been taken.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the school board and management, entities with accreditation overview, and 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.



Ridgeland, MS
June 25, 2008

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

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Simpson County School District
 Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

Section 1: Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements:

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|----|--|---------------|
| 1. | Type of auditor's report issued on the basic financial statements: | Unqualified |
| 2. | Material noncompliance relating to the basic financial statements? | No |
| 3. | Internal control over financial reporting: | |
| | a. Material weaknesses identified? | No |
| | b. Reportable conditions identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? | None Reported |

Federal Awards:

- | | | |
|----|--|---------------|
| 4. | Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs: | Unqualified |
| 5. | Internal control over major programs: | |
| | a. Material weaknesses identified? | No |
| | b. Reportable conditions identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses? | None Reported |
| 6. | Any audit finding(s) reported as required by section ____510(a) of Circular A-133? | No |
| 7. | Federal program identified as major program: | |
| | a. Child Nutrition Cluster | |
| | CFDA #: 10.553 | |
| | CFDA #: 10.555 | |
| | b. Title I grants to Local Educational Agencies | |
| | CFDA #: 84.010 | |
| 8. | The dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: | \$300,000 |
| 9. | Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee? | No |
| 10 | Prior fiscal year audit findings and questioned costs relative to federal awards which would require the auditee to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings as discussed in Section ____315(b) of OMB Circular A-133? | Yes |

Section 2: Financial Statement Findings

The results of my tests did not disclose any findings and questioned costs related to the financial statement that are required by the *Government Auditing Standards*.

Section 3: Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

The results of my tests did not disclose any findings and questioned costs related to the federal awards.

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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

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Superintendent
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Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings

April 22, 2008

As required by Section ____ .315(b) of OMB Circular A-133, the Simpson County School District has prepared and hereby submits the following Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings as of June 30, 2007.

<u>Finding</u>	<u>Status</u>
2006-01	Corrected

Sincerely,



Joe H. Welch
Superintendent of Education

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