

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND  
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS  
MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NO. 2  
BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
JUNE 30, 2012**

**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2**

**BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

**JUNE 30, 2012**

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**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICIALS  
JULY 1, 2011 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2012**

**Board of Education**

President	Sheila Jones
Vice-President	Robert Keith
Clerk	Jarrold Brown
Member	Jackie Carnes
Member	Dwight Spitz

**School District Treasurer**

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
ON THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Honorable Board of Education  
Merritt Independent School District No. 2  
Merritt, Beckham County, Oklahoma

We have audited the accompanying fund type and account group financial statements of Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma, as listed in the table of contents, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012. These financial statements are the responsibility of Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma. Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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 opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma, prepares its financial statements in conformity with the accounting and financial reporting regulations prescribed or permitted by the Oklahoma State Department of Education, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The differences between the regulatory basis of accounting and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America are also described in Note 1.

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed asset account group. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed asset account group is not known.

In our opinion, because of the School's policy to prepare its financial statements on the basis of accounting discussed in the third paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma, as of June 30, 2012, or the results of its operations for the year then ended.

However, in our opinion, except for the omission of the general fixed asset account group as discussed in the fourth paragraph, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash and unencumbered cash balances arising from regulatory basis transactions of each fund type and account group of Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma, as of June 30, 2012, and the revenues it received and expenditures it paid for the year then ended, on the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 11, 2012, on our consideration of Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma's, internal control over financial reporting and 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 an opinion on the fund type and account group financial statements of Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma, taken as a whole. The accompanying Combining Financial Statements and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as listed in the accompanying Table of Contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The Combining Financial Statements and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the fund type and account group financial statements referred to above and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, except for the financial statements being prepared in compliance with the regulatory basis as prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education as discussed in Note 1, such information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

*Britton, Kuykendall & Miller*

BRITTON, KUYKENDALL & MILLER  
Certified Public Accountants

Weatherford, Oklahoma  
September 11, 2012

**COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**OF**  
**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2**  
**BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 02  
 BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
 COMBINED BALANCE SHEET  
 ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS - REGULATORY BASIS  
 JUNE 30, 2012

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Investments	\$ 1,337,362.42	\$ 682,805.84	\$ 21,624.94
Amount available in debt service fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Assets	\$ 1,337,362.42	\$ 682,805.84	\$ 21,624.94
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>			
Liabilities:			
Warrants payable	\$ 137,322.20	\$ 2,173.29	\$ 0.00
Encumbrances	15,116.70	0.00	0.00
Due to others	0.00	0.00	0.00
General obligation bonds payable	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00
Judgment Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Liabilities	152,438.90	2,173.29	0.00
Fund Equity:			
Unreserved:			
Designated for capital projects	0.00	0.00	0.00
Designated for debt service	0.00	0.00	21,624.94
Undesignated	1,184,923.52	680,632.55	0.00
Total fund balances	1,184,923.52	680,632.55	21,624.94
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 1,337,362.42	\$ 682,805.84	\$ 21,624.94

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

Schedule 1-00

<u>Fiduciary Fund Types</u>	<u>Total (Memorandum Only - Note 1) 2012</u>
\$ 108,380.27	\$ 2,150,173.47
0.00	21,624.94
<u>0.00</u>	<u>(21,624.94)</u>
\$ <u><u>108,380.27</u></u>	\$ <u><u>2,150,173.47</u></u>

\$ 0.00	\$ 139,495.49
0.00	15,116.70
108,380.27	108,380.27
0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00
<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<u>108,380.27</u>	<u>262,992.46</u>

0.00	0.00
0.00	21,624.94
<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,865,556.07</u>
<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,887,181.01</u>
\$ <u><u>108,380.27</u></u>	\$ <u><u>2,150,173.47</u></u>

MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 02  
 BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
 AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS -  
 ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

	Governmental Fund Types			Total (Memorandum Only - Note 1) 2012
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	
Revenues:				
Local sources	\$ 1,394,150.67	\$ 312,783.44	\$ 219.16	\$ 1,707,153.27
Intermediate sources	154,412.36	0.00	0.00	154,412.36
State sources	1,883,232.95	25,626.52	0.00	1,908,859.47
Federal Sources	254,786.90	143,457.26	0.00	398,244.16
 Total Revenues Collected	 <u>3,686,582.88</u>	 <u>481,867.22</u>	 <u>219.16</u>	 <u>4,168,669.26</u>
Expenditures:				
Instruction	2,329,547.72	0.00	0.00	2,329,547.72
Support services	1,363,322.77	5,058.16	0.00	1,368,380.93
Non - Instructional services	18,459.82	235,046.85	0.00	253,506.67
Capital outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other outlays	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest and fiscal agent charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Judgments paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
 Total Expenditures	 <u>3,711,330.31</u>	 <u>240,105.01</u>	 <u>0.00</u>	 <u>3,951,435.32</u>
 Excess of revenue over (under) expenditures	 (24,747.43)	 241,762.21	 219.16	 217,233.94
Adjustments to prior year encumbrances	4,397.98	0.00	0.00	4,397.98
Other financing sources (uses):				
Bond sale proceeds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
 Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	 (20,349.45)	 241,762.21	 219.16	 221,631.92
Beginning fund balance	<u>1,205,272.97</u>	<u>438,870.34</u>	<u>21,405.78</u>	<u>1,665,549.09</u>
Ending fund balance	<u>\$ 1,184,923.52</u>	<u>\$ 680,632.55</u>	<u>\$ 21,624.94</u>	<u>\$ 1,887,181.01</u>

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

MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 02  
 BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND  
 BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - REGULATORY BASIS  
 BUDGETED GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

	General Fund			Special Revenue Funds		
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
Beginning fund balances, budgetary basis	\$ 1,205,272.97	\$ 1,205,272.97	\$ 1,205,272.97	\$ 438,870.34	\$ 438,870.34	\$ 438,870.34
Revenues:						
Local sources	1,249,319.41	1,249,319.41	1,394,150.67	241,989.56	241,989.56	312,783.44
Intermediate sources	141,534.96	141,534.96	154,412.36	0.00	0.00	0.00
State sources	1,846,664.05	1,846,664.05	1,883,232.95	32,877.46	32,877.46	25,626.52
Federal sources	199,995.78	199,995.78	254,786.90	112,539.01	112,539.01	143,457.26
Total Revenue, budgetary basis	3,437,514.20	3,437,514.20	3,686,582.88	387,406.03	387,406.03	481,867.22
Expenditures:						
Instruction	2,935,436.32	2,935,436.32	2,329,547.72	0.00	0.00	0.00
Support services	1,663,824.23	1,663,824.23	1,363,322.77	542,411.47	542,411.47	5,058.16
Non - Instructional services	43,526.62	43,526.62	18,459.82	283,864.90	283,864.90	235,046.85
Capital Outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Outlays	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Debt Service:						
Principal retirement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest and fiscal agent charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Judgments paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expenditures, budgetary basis	4,642,787.17	4,642,787.17	3,711,330.31	826,276.37	826,276.37	240,105.01
Excess of revenue and beginning fund balances over (under) expenditures - budgetary basis	0.00	0.00	1,180,525.54	0.00	0.00	680,632.55
Other financing sources (uses):						
Bond sale proceeds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	0.00	0.00	1,180,525.54	0.00	0.00	680,632.55
Adjustments to prior year encumbrances	0.00	0.00	4,397.98	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending fund balances	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,184,923.52	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 680,632.55

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

**NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**OF**  
**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2**  
**BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2**  
**BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

1. **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The financial statements of the Merritt Independent School District No.2 (the "District") have been prepared in conformity with another comprehensive basis of accounting as prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

**A. Reporting Entity**

The District is a corporate body for public purposes created under Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes and accordingly is a separate entity for operating and financial reporting purposes. The District is part of the public school system of Oklahoma under the general direction and control of the State Board of Education and is financially dependent on state of Oklahoma support. The general operating authority for the public school system is the Oklahoma School Code contained in Title 70, Oklahoma Statutes.

The governing body of the District is the Board of Education composed of five elected members. The appointed superintendent is the executive officer of the District.

In evaluating how to define the district, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The basic -- but not the only -- criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service. Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the District and/or its citizens, or whether the activity is conducted within the geographic boundaries of the District and is generally available to its patrons. A third criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the District is able to exercise oversight responsibilities. Based upon the application of these criteria, there are no potential component units included in the District's reporting entity.

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BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
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**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, (Continued)**

**Reporting Entity, (Continued)**

The School Education Foundation is not included in the reporting entity. The District does not appoint any of the board members or exercise any oversight authority over the Foundation.

**B. Fund Accounting**

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

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

Funds are classified into three categories: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types."

**Governmental Fund Types**

Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of a government's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of earmarked monies (Special Revenue Funds), the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets (Capital Projects Funds), and the servicing of general long-term debt (Debt Service Funds).

**General Fund** - The General Fund is used to account for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Major revenue sources include state and local property taxes and state funding under the Foundation and Incentive Aid Program. Expenditures include all costs associated with the daily operations of the schools except for programs funded for building repairs and maintenance, school construction and debt service on bonds and other long-term debt. The General Fund includes federal and state restricted monies that must be expended for specific programs.

**Special Revenue Fund** - The Special Revenue Funds of the District consist of the Building Fund and the Child Nutrition Fund.

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**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, (Continued)**

**Fund Accounting, (Continued)**

**Special Revenue, (Continued)**

**Building Fund** - The Building Fund consists of monies derived from property taxes levied for the purpose of erecting, remodeling, or repairing buildings and for purchasing furniture and equipment.

**Child Nutrition Fund** - The Child Nutrition Fund consists of monies collected from meals served to students and employees of the district and is expended on food, supplies and salaries. The district also deposits monies received from the National School Lunch and Breakfast programs into this fund.

**Debt Service Fund** - The Debt Service Fund is the District's Sinking Fund and is used to account for the accumulation of financial resources for the payment of General Long-Term Debt principal, interest and related costs. The primary revenue sources are local property taxes levied specifically for debt service and interest earnings from temporary investments. The District no longer has any long-term debt, and the monies in the Debt Service Fund represent the income derived from prior years.

**Capital Projects Fund** - The Capital Projects Fund is the District's Bond Fund and is used to account for the proceeds of bond sales to be used exclusively for acquiring schools sites, constructing and equipping new school facilities, renovating existing facilities, and acquiring transportation equipment. There are no Capital Project Funds.

**Fiduciary Fund Types**

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held on behalf of outside parties, including other governments, or on behalf of other funds within the District. Agency funds generally are used to account for assets that the District holds on behalf of others as their agent and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

**Agency Fund** - The Agency Fund is the School Activities Fund which is used to account for monies collected principally through fundraising efforts of the students and District-sponsored groups. The administration is responsible, under the authority of the Board, for collecting, disbursing and accounting for these activity funds.

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**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, (Continued)**

**Fund Accounting, (Continued)**

**Account Groups**

Account groups are not funds and consist of a self-balancing set of accounts used only to establish accounting control over long-term debt and general fixed assets not accounted for in proprietary funds.

**General Fixed Asset Account Group** - This account group is used to account for property, plant and equipment of the school district. The District has not maintained the cost of fixed assets purchased in previous years. Thus the General Fixed Asset Account Group is not presented.

**Memorandum Only - Total Column**

The total column on the financial statements is captioned "memorandum only" to indicate that it is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column does not present financial position, results of operations or cash flows in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

**C. Basis of Accounting**

The District prepares its financial statements in a presentation format that is prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education. This format is essentially the generally accepted form of presentation used by state and local governments prior to the effective date of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. This format differs significantly from that required by GASB Statement No. 34.

The basic financial statements are essentially prepared on a basis of cash receipts and disbursements modified as required by the regulations of the Oklahoma State Department of Education as follows:

- Encumbrances represented by purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded as expenditures when approved.
- Investments are recorded as assets when purchased.
- Warrants payable are recorded as liabilities when issued.

**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**Basis of Accounting, (Continued)**

- Long-term debt is recorded when incurred.

This regulatory basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require revenues to be recognized when they become available and measurable, or when they are earned, and expenditures or expenses to be recognized when the related liabilities are incurred for governmental fund types

**D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

The District is required by state law to prepare an annual budget. A preliminary budget must be submitted to the Board of Education by December 31 for the fiscal year beginning the following July 1. If the preliminary budget requires an additional levy, the District must hold an election on the first Tuesday in February to approve the levy. If the preliminary budget does not require an additional levy, it becomes the legal budget. If an election is held and the taxes are approved, then the preliminary budget becomes the legal budget. If voters reject the additional taxes, the District must adopt a budget within the approved tax rate.

The District may, upon approval by a majority of the electors of the District voting on the question, make the advalorem levy, emergency levy, and local support levy permanent.

Under current Oklahoma Statutes, a formal budget is required for all funds except for agency funds. Budgets are presented for all funds that include the originally approved budgeted appropriations for expenditures and final budgeted appropriations as adjusted for supplemental appropriations and approved transfers between budget categories.

**E. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity**

**Cash and Cash Equivalents** - The District considers all cash on hand, demand deposits and highly liquid investments, with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased, to be cash and cash equivalents.

**Investments** - Investments consist of direct obligations of the United States Government and Agencies or certificates of deposit with maturities greater than three months when purchased. All investments are recorded at cost, which approximates market value.

**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, (Continued)**

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting, (Continued)**

**Property Tax Revenues** - The District is authorized by state law to levy property taxes which consist of ad valorem taxes on real and personal property within the District. The County Assessor, upon receipt of the certification of tax levies from the county excise board, extends the tax levies on the tax roll for submission to the County Treasurer prior to October 1. The County Treasurer must commence tax collection within fifteen days of receipt of the tax rolls. The first half of taxes is due prior to January 1. The second half is due prior to April 1. If the first payment is not made timely, the entire tax becomes due and payable on January 2. Second half taxes become delinquent on April 1 of the year following the year of assessment. If not paid by the following October 1, the property is offered for sale for the amount of taxes due. The owner has two years to redeem the property by paying the taxes and penalty owed. If, at the end of two years, the owner has not done so, the purchaser is issued a deed to the property.

**Inventories** - The value of consumable inventories at June 30, 2012 is not material to the financial statements.

**Fixed Assets and Property, Plant and Equipment** - The General Fixed Asset Account Group is not presented.

**Compensated Absences** - The school does not calculate a dollar value of compensated absences. Thus, compensated absences have not been presented.

**Cash Fund Balance** - Cash fund balance represents the funds not encumbered by purchase order, legal contracts, and outstanding warrants.

**F. Revenue, Expenses and Expenditures**

**State Revenues** - Revenues from state sources for current operations are primarily governed by the state aid formula under the provisions of Article XVIII, Title 70, Oklahoma Statutes. The State Board of Education administers the allocation of state aid funds to school districts based on information accumulated from the districts.

After review and verification of reports and supporting documentation, the State Department of Education may adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations of money for prior year errors disclosed by review. Normally, such adjustments are treated as reductions or additions of revenue of the year when the adjustments are made.

**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, (Continued)**

**Revenue, Expenses and Expenditures, (Continued)**

**State Revenues, (Continued)**

The District receives revenue from the state to administer certain categorical educational programs. State Board of Education rules require that revenue earmarked for these programs be expended only for the program for which the money is provided and require that the money not expended as of the close of the fiscal year be carried forward into the following year to be expended for the same categorical programs. The State Department of Education requires that categorical, educational program revenues be accounted for in the general fund.

**Interfund Transactions** - Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund or expenditures/expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. Nonrecurring or nonroutine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers. There were no operating transfers or residual equity transfers during fiscal year 2012.

**G. Statement of Cash Flows**

Since the District does not currently have any Proprietary Fund Types, the statement of cash flows has not been presented in the fiscal 2012 accompanying financial statements.

2. **Cash and Investments**

The District's investment policies are governed by state statute. Permissible investments include direct obligations of the United States Government and Agencies; certificates of deposit of savings and loan associations, and bank and trust companies; and savings accounts or savings certificates of savings and loan associations, and trust companies. Collateral is required for demand deposits and certificates of deposit for all amounts not covered by federal deposit insurance.

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**Cash and Investments, (Continued)**

**Deposits** - The District's cash deposits at June 30, 2012, are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the District at year end as follows:

**Deposit Categories of Credit Risk**

- (A) Insured or collateralized with securities held by the District or by its agent in the District's name.
- (B) Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the District's name.
- (C) Uncollateralized.

	Category			Bank Balance
	(A)	(B)	(C)	
Cash	\$ 862,597.32	\$ 287,576.15	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,150,173.47
Investments	250,000.00	750,000.00	0.00	1,000,000.00
Totals	\$ 1,112,597.32	\$ 1,037,576.15	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,150,173.47

**Investments** - Investments consist of certificates of deposit or direct obligations of the United States Government and Agencies at June 30, 2012, and are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the District.

3. **General Long-Term Debt**

State statutes prohibit the District from becoming indebted in an amount exceeding the revenue to be received for any fiscal year without approval by the District's voters. Bond issues have been approved by the voters and issued by the District for various capital improvements. Currently, the school has does not have any bonds issued and outstanding.

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4. **Investment Income**

Investment income deposits are receipted as allocated by the Treasurer. School District Funds held by the Treasurer are required to be invested in accordance with Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Interest income on cash funds totaled \$26,282.32.

5. **Employee Retirement System**

The District participates in the state-administered Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System (the "System"), which is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement system (PERS). Under the System, contributions are made by the District, the State of Oklahoma, and the participating employees. Participation is required for all teachers and other certified employees and is optional for all other regular employees of public educational institutions who work at least 20 hours per week. A participant's date of membership is the date the first contribution is made to the System. The System is administered by a board of trustees which acts as a fiduciary for investing the funds and governing the administration of the System. The District has no responsibility or authority for the operation and administration of the System nor has it any liability, except for the current contribution requirements.

A participant with five years of creditable service may retire with a normal retirement allowance at the age of sixty-two or with reduced benefits as early as age fifty-five. The normal retirement allowance paid monthly for life and then to beneficiaries, if certain options are exercised, equals two percent of the average of the highest three earning years of contributory service multiplied by the number of years of credited service. A participant leaving employment before attaining retirement age, but completing ten years of service, may elect to vest his accumulated contributions and defer receipt of a retirement annuity until a later date. When a participant dies in active service and has completed ten years of credited service, the beneficiary is entitled to a death benefit.

If the beneficiary is a surviving spouse, the surviving spouse may, in lieu of the death benefit, elect to receive, subject to the surviving spousal options, the participant's retirement benefits accrued at the time of death.

The contribution rates for the Districts, which are not actuarial determined, and its employees are established by statute and applied to the employee's earnings, plus employer-paid fringe benefits. The District is required by statute to contribute 9.50% of applicable compensation effective January 1, 2011 and thereafter.

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**Employee Retirement System, (Continued)**

The District is allowed by the Oklahoma Teacher's Retirement System to make the required contributions on behalf of the participating members. The required contribution for participating members is 7.0% of each member's total compensation.

For the year ended June 30, 2012, the total compensation covered by the Teacher Retirement System was \$2,021,425.09. The District's contributions to the System for the years ending June 30, 2012, 2011, and 2010 were \$203,869.68, \$201,950.71, and \$203,609.26, respectively.

The pension benefit obligation is a standardized disclosure measure of the present value of pension benefits. This pension valuation method reflects the present value of estimated pension benefits that will be paid in future years as a result of employee services performed to date and is adjusted for the effect of projected salary increases. There are no actuarial valuations performed on individual school districts. The nonfunded pension benefit obligation of the System, as determined as part of the latest actuarial valuation dated June 30, 2011, is as follows:

Total Pension Benefit Obligation	\$17,560,754,452
Actuarial Value of Assets	<u>9,960,576,151</u>
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	<u>\$ 7,600,178,301</u>

The System's accounting records are maintained on the cash basis of accounting, except for accruals of interest income.

Ten year historical trend information is presented in the Teacher's Retirement System of Oklahoma Annual Report for the year ended June 30, 2011. This information is useful in assessing the pension plan's accumulation of sufficient assets to pay pension benefits as they become due. The Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System, P.O. Box 53524, Oklahoma City, OK 73152 or by calling (405) 521-2387.

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6. **Health Care Coverage**

During the year ended June 30, 2012, employees of the Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma, were covered by a health insurance plan (the plan). The teachers and support personnel may elect to be covered by the plan. The school contributes 100 percent of the cost of single coverage towards the Plan for all non-certified personnel and 58 percent for certified personnel. The plan was authorized by House Bill 1731, 1988 Oklahoma Legislature (74 O.S. 1988, Supp. Section 1301-1322) with the Oklahoma State and Education Employers Group Insurance Board.

7. **Contingencies**

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

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, employees' health and life, and natural disasters. The District manages these various risks of loss through the purchase of commercial insurance. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District. Settled claims have not exceeded this insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

9. **Surety Bonds**

The District has a position bond, number 69343870, with Western Surety Company which covers the period of May 29, 2011 to May 28, 2012 and the period of May 28, 2012 to May 28, 2013. The bond covers the following positions for the amounts listed: Superintendent - \$100,000.00; Treasurer - \$200,000.00; Lunch and Activity Fund Custodian - \$5,000.00; Encumbrance and Minutes Clerk \$5,000.00; and Encumbrance Clerk - \$5,000.00.

**SUPPORTING SCHEDULES**  
**OF**  
**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2**  
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MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 02  
 BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES  
 - REGULATORY BASIS - ALL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
 JUNE 30, 2012

	<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>Child Nutrition Fund</u>	<u>Totals 2012</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Investments	\$ <u>601,934.19</u>	\$ <u>80,871.65</u>	\$ <u>682,805.84</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u><u>601,934.19</u></u>	\$ <u><u>80,871.65</u></u>	\$ <u><u>682,805.84</u></u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>			
Liabilities:			
Warrants payable	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,173.29	\$ 2,173.29
Encumbrances	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2,173.29</u>	<u>2,173.29</u>
 Total fund balances	 <u>601,934.19</u>	 <u>78,698.36</u>	 <u>680,632.55</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ <u><u>601,934.19</u></u>	\$ <u><u>80,871.65</u></u>	\$ <u><u>682,805.84</u></u>

MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 02  
 BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
 AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - REGULATORY BASIS -  
 ALL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

	Building Fund	Child Nutrition Fund	Totals 2012
Revenues:			
Local sources	\$ 243,094.69	\$ 69,688.75	\$ 312,783.44
Intermediate sources	0.00	0.00	0.00
State sources	7.24	25,619.28	25,626.52
Federal Sources	0.00	143,457.26	143,457.26
	<u>243,101.93</u>	<u>238,765.29</u>	<u>481,867.22</u>
Total Revenues Collected			
Expenditures:			
Instruction	0.00	0.00	0.00
Support services	5,058.16	0.00	5,058.16
Non - Instructional services	0.00	235,046.85	235,046.85
Capital Outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Outlays	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<u>5,058.16</u>	<u>235,046.85</u>	<u>240,105.01</u>
Total Expenditures			
Excess of revenue over (under) expenditures	238,043.77	3,718.44	241,762.21
Adjustments to prior year encumbrances		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Excess of revenue and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	238,043.77	3,718.44	241,762.21
Beginning fund balance	<u>363,890.42</u>	<u>74,979.92</u>	<u>438,870.34</u>
Ending fund balance	<u>\$ 601,934.19</u>	<u>\$ 78,698.36</u>	<u>\$ 680,632.55</u>

MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 02  
 BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND  
 BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - REGULATORY BASIS  
 ALL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

	Building Fund			Child Nutrition Fund		
	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual
Beginning fund balances, budgetary basis	\$ 363,890.42	\$ 363,890.42	\$ 363,890.42	\$ 74,979.92	\$ 74,979.92	\$ 74,979.92
Revenues:						
Local sources	178,521.05	178,521.05	243,094.69	63,468.51	63,468.51	69,688.75
Intermediate sources	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
State sources	0.00	0.00	7.24	32,877.46	32,877.46	25,619.28
Federal sources	0.00	0.00	0.00	112,539.01	112,539.01	143,457.26
Total Revenue, budgetary basis	178,521.05	178,521.05	243,101.93	208,884.98	208,884.98	238,765.29
Expenditures:						
Instruction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Support services	542,411.47	542,411.47	5,058.16	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non - Instructional services	0.00	0.00	0.00	283,864.90	283,864.90	235,046.85
Capital Outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Outlays	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expenditures, budgetary basis	542,411.47	542,411.47	5,058.16	283,864.90	283,864.90	235,046.85
Excess of revenue and beginning fund balances over (under) expenditures - budgetary basis	0.00	0.00	601,934.19	(0.00)	0.00	78,698.36
Other financing sources (uses):						
Bond sale proceeds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Excess of revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	0.00	0.00	601,934.19	(0.00)	0.00	78,698.36
Adjustments to prior year encumbrances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending fund balances	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 601,934.19	\$ (0.00)	\$ 0.00	\$ 78,698.36

MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 02  
 BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES  
 - REGULATORY BASIS - FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
 JUNE 30, 2012

	Agency Fund Activity Fund	Totals 2012
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and Investments	\$ 108,380.27	\$ 108,380.27
Total Assets	\$ 108,380.27	\$ 108,380.27
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>		
Liabilities:		
Warrants Payable	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Due to Others	108,380.27	108,380.27
Total Liabilities	108,380.27	108,380.27
 Total fund balances	 0.00	 0.00
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 108,380.27	\$ 108,380.27

MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 02  
 BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
 - REGULATORY BASIS -  
 ALL AGENCY FUNDS  
 July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012

<u>ASSETS</u>	Beginning Balance As of 7-1-11	Total Receipts	Total Adjustments	Total Disbursements	Ending Balance As of 6-30-12
FFA	\$ 21,457.03	\$ 68,333.25	\$ 0.50	\$ 60,097.21	\$ 29,693.57
Athletics	9,159.83	63,884.57	1,559.00	61,904.86	12,698.54
OK Great Plains Academic Conf	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00
Petty Cash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Clearing	2,260.00	4,459.00	0.00	6,719.00	0.00
Class of 2012	3,809.80	1,752.50	(140.00)	4,301.55	1,120.75
Yearbook/ Annual	7,653.09	26,229.47	(61.00)	23,666.83	10,154.73
FCCLA	786.47	15,188.00	(3,840.00)	9,149.99	2,984.48
SADD	106.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	106.00
Ag Mechanics	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Library	1,259.83	624.22	0.00	1,224.79	659.26
4-H	534.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	534.24
Class of 2013	5,046.00	12,850.78	(9.00)	13,271.09	4,616.69
Miscellaneous	714.65	0.00	603.24	1,266.44	51.45
MPO	4,728.83	33,961.10	(1.94)	25,010.11	13,677.88
Merritt Cheerleaders	143.77	8,563.00	1,606.00	9,126.81	1,185.96
Music	4,772.69	6,949.69	(22.00)	11,177.50	522.88
Alumni Class of 1956	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
The Shirley Allen Scholarship	6,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,000.00
Student Council	3,389.48	11,850.50	0.00	12,215.95	3,024.03
Flower Fund	315.42	660.00	(50.00)	565.16	360.26
Elementary	1,516.61	2,592.55	0.00	2,416.18	1,692.98
Basaball	798.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	798.72
Newspaper	4,391.08	0.00	0.00	1,071.15	3,319.93
Concession	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Class of 2015	2,892.96	1,175.00	0.00	0.00	4,067.96
Class of 2006	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Class of 2014	1,162.08	6,937.19	0.00	1,961.36	6,137.91
Class of 2016	838.51	2,197.50	0.00	211.70	2,824.31
Class of 2009	913.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	913.76
Class of 2010	231.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	231.20
Class of 2011	553.78	0.00	0.00	270.00	283.78
Class of 2017	0.00	914.00	0.00	225.00	689.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 85,465.83</b>	<b>\$ 269,122.32</b>	<b>\$ (355.20)</b>	<b>\$ 245,852.68</b>	<b>\$ 108,380.27</b>
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>					
Due to Student Groups	\$ 85,465.83	\$ 269,122.32	\$ (355.20)	\$ 245,852.68	\$ 108,380.27
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 85,465.83</b>	<b>\$ 269,122.32</b>	<b>\$ (355.20)</b>	<b>\$ 245,852.68</b>	<b>\$ 108,380.27</b>

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**OF**  
**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2**  
**BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 02  
 BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

Federal Grantor/Pass Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Project Reporting Number	Program Approved Amount	Beginning Balance at July 1, 2011	Receipts	Expenditures	Ending Balance at June 30, 2012
<u>U.S. Department of Education Direct Programs:</u>							
<u>2011-2012 Programs</u>							
Small Rural School Achievement Program	84.358	588	\$ 47,137.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,212.57	\$ 7,212.57	\$ 0.00
Total U.S. Department of Education			47,137.00	0.00	7,212.57	7,212.57	0.00
<u>Passed Through State Department of Education:</u>							
<u>2010-2011 Programs</u>							
Title I - LEA	84.010	511	0.00	(23,388.00)	23,388.00	0.00	0.00
IDEA-B Flowthrough	84.027	621	0.00	(12,135.67)	12,135.67	0.00	0.00
IDEA-B Flowthrough Early Intervening Services	84.027	623	0.00	(7,415.40)	7,415.40	0.00	0.00
<u>2011-2012 Programs</u>							
Title I - LEA	84.010	511	96,305.16	0.00	95,027.52	95,340.84	(313.32)
Title II - Part A	84.367	541	9,994.69	0.00	9,896.02	9,896.02	0.00
IDEA-B Preschool	84.173	641	2,656.63	0.00	2,656.63	2,656.63	0.00
IDEA-B Flowthrough	84.027	621	97,055.09	0.00	97,055.09	97,055.09	0.00
Total State Department of Education			206,011.57	(42,939.07)	247,574.33	204,948.58	(313.32)
Total U.S. and State Department of Education			\$ 253,148.57	\$ (42,939.07)	\$ 254,786.90	\$ 212,161.15	\$ (313.32)
<u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>							
<u>Passed Through State Dept. of Education:</u>							
Cash Assistance:							
National School Lunch Program	10.555				104,039.00	73,982.60	
School Breakfast Program	10.553				39,418.26	0.00	
Non-Cash Assistance (Commodities):							
National School Lunch Program	10.555				9,275.27	9,275.27	
Total USDA					152,732.53	83,257.87	
TOTAL FEDERAL ASSISTANCE			\$ 407,519.43	\$ 295,419.02			

Note - The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the basic financial statements. Nonmonetary assistance in the form of commodities is reported in the schedule at the fair market value of the commodities received and disbursed.

**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND ON COMPLIANCE**

**OF**

**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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*

The Honorable Board of Education  
Merritt Independent School District No. 2  
Merritt, Beckham County, Oklahoma

We have audited the financial statements of Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Merritt, Oklahoma, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated September 11, 2012. As stated in our report, the financial statements were prepared in compliance with the cash basis as prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In our report, our opinion was qualified because the omission of the General Fixed Assets Account Group results in an incomplete presentation. 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

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

## Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Merritt, Oklahoma's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the 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* in the United States of America.

However, we noted certain matters that we have reported to the Board of Education and administrative employees of Merritt Independent School District No. 2, Oklahoma, in a separate statement of audit comments included with this report.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Education and administrative employees, and all applicable county, state and federal agencies and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*Britton, Kuykendall & Miller*

BRITTON, KUYKENDALL AND MILLER  
Certified Public Accountants

Weatherford, Oklahoma  
September 11, 2012

**MERRITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2**  
**BECKHAM COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**  
**AUDIT COMMENTS**  
**JUNE 30, 2012**

CURRENT YEAR

- 12-1 During our audit of the Activity Fund, we noted instances where the District reimbursed sales tax. School Districts are exempt from paying sales tax and should make arrangements with vendors and use those vendors that will allow the use of the sales tax exemption.
- 12-2 During our audit of the Activity Fund, we noted instances where invoices were not signed to verify receipt of goods or services. The person receiving goods or services should sign the invoice, statement, or delivery ticket to indicate that the goods or services were received and in good condition.

PRIOR YEAR

- 11-1 During our audit of the General Fund, Building Fund, and Activity Fund we noted instances where invoices were not signed to verify receipt of goods or services. The person receiving goods or services should sign the invoice, statement, or delivery ticket to indicate that the goods or services were received and in good condition.
- 11-2 During our audit of the payroll records we noted instances where the Form I-9 had not been completely filled out on some of the teachers and support staff. The Form I-9 instructions require either List A, or both List B and C to be filled out. The Form I-9 should be completely filled out for all employees to comply with the Immigration and Naturalization Service requirements.

The District implemented procedures to correct the prior year audit comment 11-2. However, comment 11-1 had instances of reoccurrence only in the activity fund in the current fiscal year.

MERRITT PUBLIC SCHOOLS I-002

Beckham County

**Contact:** Jeff Daugherty, Superintendent

**Findings:** In the Activity Fund we noted instances where the District reimbursed sales tax. School Districts are exempt from paying sales tax and should make arrangements with vendors and use those vendors that will allow the use of the sales tax exemption.

**Steps Implemented:** We conducted a faculty meeting and discussed the sales tax exemption status of a public school.

**Completion Date:** September 13, 2012

MERRITT PUBLIC SCHOOLS I-002

Beckham County

**Contact:** Jeff Daugherty, Superintendent

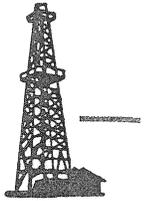
**Findings:** In the Activity Funds we noted instances where invoices were not signed to verify receipt of goods or services. The person receiving goods or services should sign the invoice, statement, or delivery ticket to indicate that the goods or services were received and in good condition.

**Steps Implemented:** We conducted a faculty meeting and revisited the steps required for receiving goods.

**Completion Date:** September 13, 2012

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September 15, 2011

To whom it may concern:

11-1 We have had a staff meeting to educate all employees of the proper procedures for ordering and receiving goods.

11-2 The I-9's in our possession have been corrected and steps have been taken to ensure that they will be properly filled out in the future.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff Daugherty". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Jeff Daugherty  
Superintendent

