

Swifton School District No. 33

Jackson County, Arkansas

**General Purpose Financial Statements
and Other Reports
June 30, 2002**



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JACKSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Swifton School District No. 33 and School Board Members
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Swifton School District No. 33 (the "District"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2002, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of district management. 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.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the District as of June 30, 2002, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 25, 2003 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

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LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

COMBINED REPORT(S) ON COMPLIANCE, INTERNAL CONTROLS AND OTHER MATTERS

Swifton School District No. 33 and School Board Members
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Swifton School District No. 33 (the "District") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated August 25, 2003. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of the state constitution, laws and regulations, 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 that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the District's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are disclosed below in the Audit Findings section of this letter.

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the reportable conditions described above, we consider the finding below to be a material weakness. Other matters involving compliance and/or internal control were reported to School District management in a separate letter.

AUDIT FINDINGS

As a management service, we would like to bring to your attention the following compliance and/or internal control matter(s) that came to our attention during this audit. The purpose of such comments is to provide constructive feedback and guidance, in an effort to assist management to maintain a satisfactory level of compliance with the state constitution, laws and regulations and achieve adequate internal controls. These matters were discussed previously with district officials during the course of our audit fieldwork and at the exit conference.

The District had inadequate control over cash transactions because of insufficient segregation of duties due to a limited number of personnel.

This report is intended for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, state executive and oversight management and district management and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specific parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

William R. Baum

William R. Baum, CPA, CFE
Deputy Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas
August 25, 2003

SWIFTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 33
 JACKSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
 COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
 JUNE 30, 2002

Exhibit A

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary	Account Groups		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Trust and Agency	General Fixed Assets	General Long- Term Debt	
ASSETS							
Cash	\$ 191,909	\$ 16,058	\$ 213	\$ 14,873			\$ 223,053
Investments	457,920						457,920
Accounts receivable		4,438					4,438
Land					\$ 45,693		45,693
Buildings					1,611,716		1,611,716
Improvements other than buildings					4,298		4,298
Equipment					218,015		218,015
Amount available in debt service funds						\$ 213	213
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt						639,720	639,720
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 649,829	\$ 20,496	\$ 213	\$ 14,873	\$ 1,879,722	\$ 639,933	\$ 3,205,066
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$ 13,588	\$ 938		\$ 410			\$ 14,936
Due student groups				14,463			14,463
Bonds payable						\$ 465,000	465,000
Certificates of indebtedness						9,600	9,600
Postdated warrants						117,972	117,972
Capital leases						22,051	22,051
Installment contracts						25,310	25,310
Total Liabilities	13,588	938		14,873		639,933	669,332

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	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary	Account Groups		Totals
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Trust and Agency	General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Debt	(Memorandum Only)
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY (Continued)							
Fund Equity:							
Investment in general fixed assets					\$ 1,879,722		\$ 1,879,722
Fund balances:							
Unreserved:							
Designated:							
Debt service			\$ 213				213
Undesignated	\$ 636,241	\$ 19,558					655,799
Total Fund Equity	<u>636,241</u>	<u>19,558</u>	<u>213</u>		<u>1,879,722</u>		<u>2,535,734</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	 <u>\$ 649,829</u>	 <u>\$ 20,496</u>	 <u>\$ 213</u>	 <u>\$ 14,873</u>	 <u>\$ 1,879,722</u>	 <u>\$ 639,933</u>	 <u>\$ 3,205,066</u>

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

SWIFTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 33
 JACKSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
 CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

Exhibit B

	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
REVENUES				
Property taxes	\$ 299,762			\$ 299,762
State assistance	1,300,840	\$ 1,165		1,302,005
Federal assistance		200,320		200,320
Activity revenues	53,612			53,612
Meal sales		22,729		22,729
Interest on investments	21,554			21,554
Other revenues	9,650	18,687		28,337
TOTAL REVENUES	1,685,418	242,901		1,928,319
EXPENDITURES				
Regular programs	730,210	15,154		745,364
Special education	62,036	37,239		99,275
Workforce education	76,230	552		76,782
Compensatory education		78,719		78,719
Other instructional programs	33,879			33,879
Support services	607,347	103,493		710,840
Activity expenditures	47,566			47,566
Debt service:				
Principal retirement	39,425		\$ 35,958	75,383
Interest and fiscal charges	11,211		20,128	31,339
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,607,904	235,157	56,086	1,899,147
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	77,514	7,744	(56,086)	29,172

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Exhibit B

	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Totals (Memorandum Only)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in			\$ 56,086	\$ 56,086
Transfers out	\$ (56,086)			(56,086)
 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	 (56,086)		 56,086	 0
 EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	 21,428	\$ 7,744		 29,172
 FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	 614,813	 11,814	 213	 626,840
 FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	 \$ 636,241	 \$ 19,558	 \$ 213	 \$ 656,012

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SWIFTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 33
 JACKSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
 FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2002

Exhibit C

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES			
Property taxes	\$ 350,000	\$ 299,762	\$ (50,238)
State assistance	1,215,426	1,302,005	86,579
Federal assistance	179,000	200,320	21,320
Activity revenues	94,916	53,612	(41,304)
Meal sales	22,500	22,729	229
Interest on investments		21,554	21,554
Other revenues	24,000	28,337	4,337
	1,885,842	1,928,319	42,477
EXPENDITURES			
Regular programs	638,985	745,364	(106,379)
Special education	88,518	99,275	(10,757)
Workforce education	68,353	76,782	(8,429)
Compensatory education	69,347	78,719	(9,372)
Other instructional programs	37,774	33,879	3,895
Support services	855,185	710,840	144,345
Activity expenditures	77,600	47,566	30,034
Debt service:			
Principal retirement		75,383	(75,383)
Interest and fiscal charges		31,339	(31,339)
	1,835,762	1,899,147	(63,385)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	50,080	29,172	(20,908)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers in		56,086	56,086
Transfers out		(56,086)	(56,086)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		0	0
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	50,080	29,172	(20,908)
FUND BALANCES - JULY 1	637,386	626,840	(10,546)
FUND BALANCES - JUNE 30	\$ 687,466	\$ 656,012	\$ (31,454)

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SWIFTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 33
JACKSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2002

NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The Board of Education, a five (5) member group, is the level of government, which has responsibilities over all activities related to public elementary and secondary school education within the jurisdiction of the Swifton School District (District). The District's financial statements reflect all funds and accounts directly under the control of the District. There are no component units.

B. Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting

The accounts are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts, which are segregated for purposes of recording specific activities or attaining certain objectives. Account groups are used to establish accounting control and accountability for general fixed assets and general long-term debt. The following types of funds and account groups are recognized in the accompanying financial statements.

Governmental Funds

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund and is used to account for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

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 to expenditures for specific purposes.

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.

Fiduciary Funds

Trust and Agency Funds - Trust and Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the entity in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, other governmental units, and other funds.

Account Groups

General Fixed Assets - to account for all fixed assets of the entity.

General Long-term Debt - to account for all long-term debt of the entity.

C. Basis of Accounting

All governmental funds and agency funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when measurable and available. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. Expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions include: (1) unmatured principal and interest on general long-term debt which are recognized when due; and (2) prepaid expenses, which are not recorded.

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JUNE 30, 2002

NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

D. General Fixed Assets

General fixed assets purchased are recorded as expenditures in the applicable fund at the time of purchase. Such assets are reported at cost or estimated historical cost, if actual data is not available, in the general fixed assets account group. Donated fixed assets are reported at fair market value when received in the general fixed assets account group. Library holdings and textbooks are not capitalized. In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, no provision for depreciation is reported.

E. Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied in November based on property assessment made between January 1 and May 31 and are an enforceable lien on January 1 for real property and June 1 for personal property. The tax records are opened on the first business day of March of the year following the levy date and are considered delinquent after October 10 of the same calendar year.

F. Investments

Investments consist of certificates of deposit classified as nonparticipating contracts and are reported at cost.

G. Inventories

Inventories are considered expenditures when purchased.

H. Liability for Compensated Absences

The accompanying financial statements do not include a liability for compensated absences as the amount is not material.

I. Fund Equity

Fund Balance

1. Designated fund balance - represents that portion of fund equity which indicates tentative plans for financial resource utilization in a future period.
2. Undesignated fund balance - indicates that portion of fund equity not reserved or designated.

J. Budget and Budgetary Accounting

The District is required by state law to prepare an annual budget. The annual budget is prepared on a fiscal year basis. The State Department of Education's regulations allow for the cash basis or the modified accrual basis. However, the majority of the school districts employ the cash basis method.

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 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
 JUNE 30, 2002

NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

K. Encumbrances

Encumbrances are defined as commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods or services. The District does not record encumbrances in its accounting system and none are reported in the accompanying financial statements.

NOTE 2: Public Fund Deposits

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

	Carrying Amount	Bank Balance
Insured (FDIC)	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Uninsured, Collateralized	123,053	192,273
Total Deposits	\$ 223,053	\$ 292,273

NOTE 3: Public Fund Investments

The District's investments are categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the District at year-end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the District or its agent in the District's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the broker's or dealer's trust department or agent in the District's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the broker or dealer, or by its trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

Type of Investment	Category			Carrying Amount	Market Value
	1	2	3		
Certificates of deposit	\$ 457,920	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 457,920	\$ 457,920

NOTE 4: Changes in General Fixed Assets

	Balance July 1, 2001	Additions	Deletions	Reclassi- fications	Balance June 30, 2002
Land	\$ 39,693	\$ 6,000			\$ 45,693
Buildings	1,579,937	31,779			1,611,716
Improvements other than buildings	4,298				4,298
Equipment	209,848	8,167			218,015
Totals	\$ 1,833,776	\$ 45,946	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,879,722

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NOTE 5: Long-term Debt Issued and Outstanding

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

Date of Issue	Date of Final Maturity	Rate of Interest	Amount Authorized and Issued	Debt Outstanding June 30, 2002	Maturities To June 30, 2002
12/1/98	2/1/12	3.6 - 4.13%	\$ 570,958	\$ 465,000	\$ 105,958
6/13/96	11/1/03	7%	38,450	9,600	28,850
4/15/99	4/15/07	5.5%	175,000	117,972	57,028
4/23/99	4/23/04	5%	51,300	22,051	29,249
4/26/99	4/26/07	5%	37,754	25,310	12,444
Totals			<u>\$ 873,462</u>	<u>\$ 639,933</u>	<u>\$ 233,529</u>

NOTE 6: Changes in Long-term Debt

	Balance July 1, 2001	Issued	Retired	Balance June 30, 2002
Bonds payable	\$ 500,958		\$ 35,958	\$ 465,000
Certificates of indebtedness	14,400		4,800	9,600
Postdated warrants	138,008		20,036	117,972
Capital leases	32,286		10,235	22,051
Installment contracts	29,664		4,354	25,310
Totals	<u>\$ 715,316</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 75,383</u>	<u>\$ 639,933</u>

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

Year Ended June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2003	\$ 81,266	\$ 27,475	\$ 108,741
2004	83,204	23,755	106,959
2005	68,577	20,198	88,775
2006	75,126	17,109	92,235
2007	76,760	13,731	90,491
To Maturity	<u>255,000</u>	<u>32,216</u>	<u>287,216</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 639,933</u>	<u>\$ 134,484</u>	<u>\$ 774,417</u>

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NOTE 7: Capital Leases

The District has executed the following capital leases:

Class of Property	Asset Balance June 30, 2002
Buses	\$ 51,300
June 30, 2002	
Total Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 23,446
Less: Amount Representing Interest	1,395
Total Present Value of Net Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 22,051

NOTE 8: Retirement Plan

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System

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

Funding Policy. ATRS has contributory and non-contributory plans. Contributory members are required by law to contribute 6% of their salary. Each participating employer is required by law to contribute at a rate established by the Arkansas General Assembly. The current employer rate is 12%. The District's contribution to ATRS for nonfederally funded employees for the years ended June 30, 2002, 2001 and 2000 were \$111,125, \$99,173 and \$100,870, respectively. The District's contributions to ATRS for federally funded employees for the years ended June 30, 2002, 2001 and 2000 were \$7,493, \$7,811 and \$7,717, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

NOTE 9: Subsequent Events

On May 1, 2003, the District issued refunding and construction bonds of \$1,179,756.