# FINANCIAL AND PROGRAM COST ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR FLORIDA SCHOOLS

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#### Chapter 1

#### Introduction

The primary purpose of this manual is to provide Florida school districts with a uniform chart of accounts for budgeting and financial reporting. Topics including governmental accounting standards, program cost accounting and reporting, and school internal funds are also addressed. This document is incorporated by reference in Rule 6A-1.001, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), pursuant to the requirements of Sections 1010.01, 1010.20, and 1011.07, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

The Florida chart of accounts included in this manual is adapted from the United States Department of Education publication, *Financial Accounting for Local and State School Systems*, which establishes a comprehensive and uniform structure for reporting education fiscal data. The Florida chart of accounts was modified following the initial publication of the federal manual in 1957 and its major revision in 1973. Subsequent federal revisions in 1980, 1990, 2003, and 2009 have also been incorporated into the state chart of accounts to ensure compatibility with national statistical reports.

#### **OVERVIEW**

This section presents a brief overview of the accounting structure, including fund, revenue, and expenditure classifications.

<u>Funds</u> are defined as fiscal and accounting entities with self-balancing sets of accounts. They record changes in cash and other financial resources, together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances. Funds are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions, or limitations (National Council on Governmental Accounting (NCGA) Statement 1, ¶2). The basic fund structure for Florida school districts follows generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for governments.

Governmental Funds

General Fund

Special Revenue Funds

**Debt Service Funds** 

Capital Projects Funds

Permanent Funds

**Proprietary Funds** 

**Enterprise Funds** 

**Internal Service Funds** 

Fiduciary Funds

Pension (and Other Employee Benefit) Trust Funds

**Investment Trust Funds** 

Private-Purpose Trust Funds

Agency Funds

<u>Revenues</u> are categorized by fund, source, and appropriation. Since revenues are usually determined by law, revenue accounts are structured by source (federal, state, and local) and specific appropriation.

Expenditures are categorized using the following elements.

Fund (see definition above)
Program
Function
Fiscal Year
Object
Grant
Facility (School)
Project

<u>Function</u> refers to the objective or purpose of an expenditure. Functions are the activities performed to accomplish the objectives of the organization. The activities of school districts are classified into four major functional categories, as follows:

<u>Instruction</u>. Instruction includes activities dealing directly with the teaching of students or the interaction between teacher and students. Instruction is further classified as Basic (K-12), Exceptional, Career and Technical, and Adult General. "Other Instruction" includes programs such as recreation, enrichment, and prekindergarten instruction.

<u>Instructional Support Services</u>. The Instructional Support Services category includes administrative, technical, and logistical support to facilitate and enhance instruction. Instructional Support Services include Student Personnel Services, Instructional Media, Instruction and Curriculum Development Services, Instructional Staff Training Services, and Instructional-Related Technology.

General Support Services. The General Support Services category includes activities associated with establishing policy, operating schools and the school system, and providing the necessary facilities and services for the staff and students. This includes salaries and expenditures for the Board, General Administration, School Administration, Facilities Acquisition and Construction, Fiscal Services, Food Services, Central Services, Student Transportation Services, Operation of Plant, Maintenance of Plant, and Administrative Technology Services.

<u>Community Services</u>. Community Services are activities that are not directly related to providing education for students in a school system. These include noninstructional services provided by the school system for the community.

Two other functional categories are necessary to support the school district, but do not include instruction, instructional support, or administrative activities.

<u>Debt Service</u>. The Debt Service category represents payments of principal and interest to service debt and expenditures related to issuance and retirement of debt.

<u>Capital Outlay</u>. The Capital Outlay category includes expenditures related, but not limited, to the procurement of land, the purchase of furniture and equipment, and the acquisition or construction of educational facilities.

<u>Object</u> refers to the goods purchased or the services obtained. There are seven major object categories for expenditures provided in this manual:

Salaries.
Employee Benefits.
Purchased Services.
Energy Services.
Materials and Supplies.
Capital Outlay.

Other.

Facility refers to the school or office location that is the center for accumulation of costs.

<u>Program</u> refers to activities, operations, or organizational units designated to accomplish an objective or purpose. Educational programs are established by law for Florida school districts and are the basis for the program cost accounting and reporting system (see Chapter 5).

<u>Fiscal Year</u> denotes the 12-month period to which the annual budget applies. This designation is useful in analyzing costs of programs that extend beyond one fiscal year.

<u>Grant</u> refers to code numbers assigned by the Florida Department of Education (DOE) for reporting state and federal grants.

<u>Project</u> refers to a classification that is used to identify expenditures related to a specific activity such as a construction project or a project funded through grants.

For reporting purposes, grant and project numbers are five-character codes that are designated by the DOE. School districts may elect to crosswalk from a local coding structure to the state-designated grant and project numbers.

#### **ACCOUNTING STANDARDS**

GAAP for governmental entities are established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and provide the foundation for financial accounting and reporting for school districts.

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues, expenditures, expenses, and transfers – and the related assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources – are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. GAAP require the use of the modified accrual basis of accounting for governmental funds. This means that revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the fiscal period. Expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable.

Proprietary and fiduciary funds use the accrual basis of accounting. That is, revenues and expenses are generally recognized when they occur, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows.

Florida school districts operate the following types of budgetary funds: general, special revenue, capital projects, debt service, and permanent. As indicated above, the modified accrual basis should be used in accounting and reporting for these funds. School districts maintaining proprietary and fiduciary funds should apply the accrual basis of accounting.

Most grants accounted for in the special revenue funds require the expenditure of funds as the primary determinant of eligibility for funding. Therefore, the date of expenditure also becomes the point of revenue recognition for the grant.

An encumbrance system that charges each purchase order, contract, or salary commitment to an appropriation should be used as part of a budgetary accounting system. Transactions cease to be encumbrances when paid or canceled, or when the actual liability is recorded.

## GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD

The reporting model for school districts is based on GASB Statement 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments, and is updated through GASB Statement 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position, and GASB Statement 65, Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities. The model includes management's discussion and analysis (MD&A), basic financial statements, notes to the financial statements, and certain other required supplementary information (RSI).

• The MD&A is a component of RSI that precedes the financial statements.

- The basic financial statements include 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements.
  - The government-wide financial statements report information for the government as a whole, except for its fiduciary funds. These statements reflect the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.
  - The fund financial statements for governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds follow the government-wide financial statements. The governmental and enterprise fund statements reflect major funds and combined nonmajor funds rather than a fund-type presentation. The fiduciary and proprietary funds continue to use the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting, while the governmental fund financial statements are presented using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. A reconciliation is required to explain the differences between the change in fund balances reported in the fund financial statements and the change in net position reported in the government-wide financial statements. The need to reconcile items arises from differences in the measurement focuses and bases of accounting between the statements, and certain required eliminations.
  - The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the basic financial statements, and additional disclosures are required as new pronouncements from the GASB are introduced.
- RSI is supplementary financial information that must be presented with the basic financial statements. Required budgetary comparisons include the original and final budgets for the general fund and each major special revenue fund that has a legally adopted annual budget. The current funded status of other postemployment benefit plans, as of the three most recent actuarial valuation dates, is also required.

One of the primary differences between the government-wide statements and the fund financial statements is the measurement focus and basis of accounting. The government-wide statements reflect the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, while the fund financial statements for governmental funds reflect the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting.

#### Chapter 2

#### **Balance Sheet Accounts**

This chapter provides balance sheet account numbers and related definitions.

#### 1000 ASSETS

Assets are resources with present service capacity that the district school board presently controls (GASB Concepts Statement 4, ¶8). The present service capacity of a resource that is an asset is its existing capability to enable the school district to provide educational services.

- 1100 <u>Current Assets</u>. Current assets include cash or other assets that are expected to be converted to cash within the operating cycle or one year.
  - 1110 <u>Cash</u>. All funds on deposit with an official or agent designated as custodian of cash and bank deposits.
    - 1111 <u>Cash-on-Demand Deposits</u>. Deposits with fiscal agents, such as commercial banks, for the payment of normal operating expenditures and subject to withdrawal by board warrant.
    - Petty Cash. Cash on hand maintained for the purpose of paying small obligations when the issuance of a formal voucher and check is not cost-effective.
    - 1113 <u>Cash Change Funds</u>. Cash on hand maintained for the purpose of providing cash register change.
    - 1114 <u>Cash with Fiscal/Service Agents</u>. Deposits with fiscal agents, such as commercial banks, for the payment of matured bonds and interest. Also, deposits with self-insurance plan agents and advance refunding escrow deposits.
    - 1115 <u>Cash Interest-Earning Deposits</u>. Deposits that generate interest income, usually stipulating the duration of the deposit and rate of interest.
    - 1117 <u>Cash on Hand</u>. Currency, coins, and checks received but not yet deposited.
  - 1120 <u>Taxes Receivable</u>. The uncollected portion of taxes that a governmental unit has levied and billed.
    - Taxes Receivable. Taxes that were levied for the current operating year but are uncollected. This account should be closed on June 30 and amounts held by the tax collector on behalf of the district school board should be recorded in Account 1220, Due From Other Agencies.
  - Accounts Receivable. Amounts due on open account from private persons, firms, or corporations for goods and services furnished by the school district.

- Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts Receivable (Credit). An estimate of the uncollectible portion of accounts receivable.
- Due From Other Funds. Amounts due for goods or services provided by a particular fund to another fund or for interfund loans.
  - Due From Budgetary Funds. Amounts due from one fund to another. Separate accounts should be maintained for each interfund loan.
  - Due From Internal Funds. Amounts due for advances to internal accounts. Separate accounts should be maintained for each advance.
- 1150 <u>Inventory</u>. Materials and supplies on hand for future use in operations. Subaccounts within this category may be used to identify different types of inventory such as materials, purchased food, and commodities.
- Investments. Securities and real estate held for the production of income in the form of interest, dividends, rentals, or lease payments, which are reasonably expected to be realized in cash within the year. This account does not include assets used in school district operations. Separate accounts for each category of investments may be maintained.
  - 1161 <u>Investments U. S. Government Securities</u>. Securities of the U. S. Government acquired by the district school board as authorized by statute and held for the production of income in the form of interest.
  - 1162 <u>Investments Section 1011.14, F.S., Loans.</u> Amounts invested from proceeds of loans made pursuant to Section 1011.14, F.S.
  - 1163 <u>Investments SBE/COBI Bonds</u>. State Board of Education (SBE)/Capital Outlay Bond Indebtedness (COBI) bonds issued on behalf of school districts under Section 9, Article XII of the State Constitution.
  - 1164 <u>Investments State Board of Administration</u>. Amounts placed with the State Board of Administration for investment.
  - Other Governmental Securities. Securities of other governmental agencies authorized by Florida Statutes and not identified above.
- 1170 <u>Interest Receivable on Investments</u>. The amount of interest receivable on investments, excluding purchased interest.
- Due from Reinsurer. Amounts to be recovered from reinsurance policies.
- Other Current Assets. All other assets, current in nature, that are not specifically provided for in other sections.
  - 1210 <u>Deposits Receivable</u>. Funds deposited by the school district as a prerequisite to receiving services and/or goods.

- Due From Other Agencies. Amounts due from other governmental units for revenues from federal, federal through state, state, or other sources.
- Prepaid Items. Disbursements that are made in one fiscal period but are more accurately reflected as an expenditure/expense in subsequent fiscal periods.
- Capital Assets. Land, land improvements, buildings, machinery, furniture, equipment, and all other tangible and intangible assets that are used in operations and have useful lives that extend beyond a single accounting period. If acquired through donation, the capital asset should be recorded using the fair value at the time of acquisition.
  - 1310 <u>Land</u>. The acquisition cost of land owned by a school system. If land is purchased, this account includes the purchase price and other costs incurred to prepare the land for use such as legal fees, filling and excavation costs, and other improvements.
  - 1315 <u>Land Improvements Nondepreciable</u>. The cost of permanent improvements to land that are not subject to depreciation.
  - Improvements Other Than Buildings. The cost of nonpermanent improvements, other than buildings, that add value to land. Examples include fences, retaining walls, sidewalks, sewage treatment systems, original or expanded paving projects, fixed playground equipment, flagpoles, gateways, and underground storage tanks that are not part of the building service systems.
    - 1329 Accumulated Depreciation Improvements Other Than Buildings. The accumulation of systematic and rational allocations of the cost of improvements other than buildings over the useful lives of the assets.
  - Buildings and Fixed Equipment. The cost of permanent structures used to house persons and property owned by a school system. If buildings are purchased or constructed, this account includes the acquisition or construction costs of permanent buildings and fixtures attached to and forming a permanent part of such building. This account includes all building improvements, including upgrades made to building wiring for technology.
    - 1339 <u>Accumulated Depreciation Buildings and Fixed Equipment</u>. The accumulation of systematic and rational allocations of the cost of buildings and fixed equipment over the useful lives of the assets.
  - Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment. The cost of furniture, fixtures, and equipment owned by a school system. This account includes teaching, laboratory, research, diagnostic and testing, and administrative equipment used by or for students.
    - 1349 <u>Accumulated Depreciation Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment.</u>
      The accumulation of systematic and rational allocations of the cost of furniture, fixtures, and equipment over the useful lives of the assets.

- Motor Vehicles. The cost of all transportation equipment, including vehicles used for student transportation and service vehicles (trucks, vans, scooters, motorcycles, passenger cars, and other motorized units).
  - 1359 <u>Accumulated Depreciation Motor Vehicles</u>. The accumulation of systematic and rational allocations of the cost of vehicles over the useful lives of the assets.
- 1360 <u>Construction in Progress</u>. The actual cost incurred to date for construction work undertaken but not yet completed. This account reflects the total construction costs recorded as expenditures in the capital projects funds.
- Property under Capital Lease. The net present value of lease payments capitalized as assets. When title to the property passes, the value is transferred to the appropriate capital asset account.
  - 1379 <u>Accumulated Depreciation Property under Capital Lease</u>. The accumulation of systematic and rational allocations of the cost of property under capital lease over the useful lives of the assets.
- Audiovisual Materials and Computer Software. The cost of audiovisual materials and computer software that meet the criteria for capitalization.
  - Audiovisual Materials. The cost of audiovisual materials owned by a school district.
  - 1382 Computer Software. The cost of computer software purchased by a school district. Specifically, this refers to the set of programs and associated documentation used to control the operation of a computer. The two primary types of software are 1) systems software, which includes operating systems, programming languages, and utility programs; and 2) application programs that are designed to perform tasks such as database management, spreadsheet functions, instruction, and word processing. Generally, when software is acquired with computer hardware for a single purchase price and the relative value of the software is material to the total cost, it is necessary to allocate the acquisition cost to both the software and hardware in accordance with GAAP for lump-sum or basket purchases. However, systems software acquired in conjunction with computer hardware may be recorded as part of the equipment purchase (no allocation of cost to the software) when the software will not be removed, transferred, or in any way separated from the original hardware. If the software that was originally recorded as equipment is subsequently removed, transferred, or detached from the original hardware, it would be necessary to retroactively allocate a portion of the original cost, if material, to software for proper recording of the removal or transfer.
  - 1388 <u>Accumulated Depreciation Audiovisual Materials</u>. The accumulation of systematic and rational allocations of the cost of audiovisual materials over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

1389 <u>Accumulated Amortization – Computer Software</u>. The accumulation of systematic and rational allocations of the cost of computer software over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

# 1400 <u>Noncurrent Assets</u>.

- Other Post-Employment Benefits Asset. To account for funded other postemployment benefits (OPEB) assets set aside to pay for future benefits, resulting in a net obligation asset for government-wide and proprietary fund financial statement presentation.
- 1420 <u>Section 1011.13, F.S., Loan Proceeds.</u> Proceeds, and any interest earnings thereon, placed in an irrevocable escrow account pursuant to Section 1011.13(2), F.S.
- 1430 <u>Prepaid Insurance Costs.</u> Prepaid insurance costs associated with the issuance of debt, to be recognized as an expense in a systematic and rational manner over the duration of the related debt.
- 1460 <u>Investments</u>. Investments that are not reasonably expected to be realized in cash within a year.
- Budgetary Debits. A group of general ledger accounts that normally have debit balances and are used to achieve budgetary integration within the accounting system.
  - 1510 <u>Estimated Revenues</u>. The amount of revenues estimated to be realized during a budget period, whether collected in the same or subsequent periods.
  - Encumbrances. Commitments in the form of purchase orders or contracts that are chargeable to an appropriation and that represent a reserve of the budgetary fund balances. Once a purchase order or contract is fulfilled, the encumbrance is removed from the accounting records.

#### 1900 DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

A deferred outflow of resources is a consumption of net assets by the school district that is applicable to a future reporting period (GASB Concepts Statement 4, ¶32). Deferred outflows of resources should be combined with assets for purposes of determining which elements meet the criteria for major fund determination.

- 1910 <u>Accumulated Decrease in Fair Value of Hedging Derivatives</u>. School districts should use hedge accounting, in which the changes in fair values of hedging derivative instruments are reported as either deferred outflows or deferred inflows of resources.
- Net Carrying Amount of Debt Refunding. This is used for either current refundings or advance refundings resulting in defeasance of debt. The amount is the increased difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt. The amount should be recognized as a component of interest expense in a systematic and rational manner over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter.

#### 2000 LIABILITIES, FUND BALANCES, AND NET POSITION

Liabilities are present obligations to sacrifice resources that the district school board has little or no discretion to avoid (GASB Concepts Statement 4, ¶17).

- 2100 <u>Current Liabilities</u>. Current liabilities represent obligations expected to be paid from current financial resources usually within the operating cycle or one year.
  - 2110 <u>Accrued Salaries and Benefits</u>. Costs incurred during the current accounting period that are not payable until a subsequent accounting period.
  - Accounts Payable. Liabilities representing amounts due on open accounts to private persons or organizations for goods and services received by a school system excluding amounts due to other funds or other governments.
  - 2130 <u>Judgments Payable</u>. Amounts owed as a result of court decisions, including condemnation awards for private property taken for public use.
  - 2140 <u>Construction Contracts Payable</u>. Amounts due by a school system on contracts for construction of buildings or other structures, and other improvements.
  - 2150 <u>Construction Contracts Payable Retained Percentage</u>. Amounts due on construction contracts representing a percentage of the total contract price withheld pending final inspection, the lapse of a specified time, or both.
  - 2160 <u>Due to Other Funds</u>. Amounts owed for goods and services rendered by a particular fund to another fund within the school district or interfund loans due within one year.
    - 2161 <u>Due to Budgetary Funds</u>. Amounts owed by a particular fund to another fund within the school district (excluding amounts due to school internal funds).
    - 2162 <u>Due to Internal Funds</u>. Amounts owed by a particular fund to school internal funds within the school district. Separate accounts should be maintained for each liability.
  - 2170 <u>Payroll Deductions and Withholdings</u>. Amounts deducted from employees' salaries for withholding taxes and other purposes. A separate liability account may be used for each type of deduction.
  - Matured Bonds Payable. Unpaid bonds that have reached or passed their maturity date. Account 1114, Cash with Fiscal/Service Agents, should be used to record amounts remitted to the paying agent for payment of this liability.
  - 2190 <u>Matured Interest Payable</u>. Unpaid interest on bonds that have reached or passed their maturity date. Account 1114, Cash with Fiscal/Service Agents, should be used to record amounts remitted to the paying agent for payment of this liability.

- 2200 Other Current Liabilities. All other current liabilities that are not provided for specifically in preceding subsections.
  - 2210 <u>Accrued Interest Payable</u>. Interest due within one year.
  - 2220 <u>Deposits Payable</u>. Liability for deposits received as a prerequisite to providing services and/or goods.
  - 2230 <u>Due to Other Agencies</u>. Amounts owed by the reporting school district to other governmental units. Separate accounts may be maintained for each liability.
  - 2240 <u>Due to Fiscal Agent</u>. Amounts due to fiscal agents, such as commercial banks, for servicing the school district's matured debt.
  - 2250 <u>Current Notes Payable</u>. Amounts due on short-term debt. GAAP specifically indicate for governmental fund accounting that other financing sources should not be reported in connection with tax anticipation notes and revenue anticipation notes. Instead, the notes should be reported as fund liabilities.
    - 2251 <u>Section 1011.13, F.S., Anticipation Notes.</u> Cash flows for operating, debt service, and capital outlay expenditures from borrowing in anticipation of future receipts.
    - 2252 <u>Section 1011.14/1011.15</u>, F.S., Notes Payable. Obligations authorized under the provisions of Sections 1011.14 and 1011.15, F.S., if the board does not intend to extend the obligation beyond the one-year period.
    - Bond Anticipation Notes. Short-term notes sold in anticipation of a bond issue. If the necessary legal steps and the ability to consummate refinancing criteria have not been met, these notes should be reported as a liability in the governmental fund as well as the government-wide statement of net position.
    - 2254 <u>Line of Credit</u>.
    - 2259 Other Short-Term Loan.
  - 2260 <u>Sales Tax Payable</u>. Sales taxes collected by the school district that must be remitted to the state.
  - 2270 <u>Estimated Liability for Self-Insurance Program.</u>
    - 2271 <u>Estimated Unpaid Claims Self-Insurance Program</u>. The self-insurance retention (SIR) limit (i.e., the maximum amount of any one loss that the school district determines it can sustain) for settling claims under the SIR threshold for events that have occurred on or before the balance sheet date, including reported claims and claims incurred but not reported.
    - 2272 <u>Estimated Liability for Claims Adjustment</u>. The additional amount needed to provide for the estimated unpaid claims for self-

insurance programs required to investigate and settle claims relating to insured events that have occurred on or before the balance sheet date, whether or not reported to the school district.

- 2280 <u>Estimated Liability for Arbitrage Rebate</u>. School districts with a calculated arbitrage rebate liability should not treat the amount of the rebate as a reduction of interest revenues. In addition, the liability should not be recognized in the governmental fund until it is due and payable. When due and payable, the liability should be recorded in the governmental fund that generated the interest earnings that are subject to rebate.
- 2290 <u>Internal Accounts Payable</u>. Amounts held on behalf of others in the internal accounts agency fund.
- 2300 <u>Long-Term Liabilities</u>. Long-term liabilities are debts that a school district plans to hold for more than one year.
  - Notes Payable. Unconditional written promises signed by the maker to pay a certain sum of money on demand or at a fixed or determinable future time, either to the bearer or to the person designated on the notes.
    - 2312 <u>Section 1011.14/1011.15</u>, F.S., <u>Notes Payable</u>. Obligations authorized under the provisions of Sections 1011.14 and 1011.15, F.S., if the board's intent is to extend the obligation from year to year with the consent of the lender for a period not to exceed four years, or for a total of five years including the initial year of the loan.
    - 2313 <u>Bond Anticipation Notes.</u> Short-term notes sold in anticipation of a bond issue that are full faith and credit obligations of the school district and are to be retired from the proceeds of the bonds to be sold.
    - 2315 <u>Obligations Under Capital Leases</u>. The present value of future payments on capitalized lease agreements.
  - Bonds Payable. Long-term obligations of the school district for which repayment is supported by the full faith and credit of the school district in the form of its taxing ability. Bonds are reported net of unamortized premiums and discounts on the Statement of Net Position. The details of the premiums and discounts are disclosed in the notes to financial statements.
    - SBE/COBI Bonds Payable. Principal balance due on bonds issued by the SBE on behalf of the school district. Section 9, Article XII of the State Constitution authorizes district school boards to request that the SBE issue bonds for and on behalf of the local district school boards. These bonds do not have to be approved in an election or referendum. The DOE prepares the resolutions for validation proceedings; requests bids; prints and delivers the bonds sold; and computes the required reserve and the annual amount for the payment of principal, interest, and bank charges. Such bonds have been designated SBE or COBI.

- 2322 <u>District Bonds Payable</u>. Principal balance due on general obligation bonds issued by the school district as authorized by the voters of the school district. This type of indebtedness is usually retired by a special tax levy on the nonexempt assessed value of the real and personal property within the school district that issued the bonds.
- 2323 <u>Special Act Bonds Payable</u>. Principal balance due on bonds or revenue certificates issued by the school district pursuant to authority granted by special acts of the Legislature, including pledging of pari-mutuel revenue authorized pursuant to Chapter 550, F.S.
- Motor Vehicle License Revenue Bonds Payable. Principal balance due on bonds or revenue certificates of the school district as authorized by the Legislature. These bonds are issued at the school district level, not to be confused with bonds issued on behalf of the school district under Section 9, Article XII of the State Constitution.
- 2326 <u>Sales Surtax Bonds Payable</u>. Principal balance due on bonds issued for capital facilities acquisition and construction. The debt is secured by the pledge of sales surtax revenue authorized pursuant to Section 212.055, F.S.
- 2330 <u>Liability for Compensated Absences</u>. Amounts owed to employees for unpaid vacation and sick leave liabilities based on the right to receive compensation for future absences attributable to services already rendered.
- 2340 <u>Lease-Purchase Agreements Payable</u>. Obligations of lease-purchase agreements, which are financing instruments that provide the issuer with cash to finance construction or capital acquisitions. Lease-purchase agreements are reported net of unamortized premiums and discounts on the Statement of Net Position. The details of the premiums and discounts are disclosed in the notes to financial statements.
  - 2341 <u>Certificates of Participation (COPS) Payable.</u> Lease-purchase obligations resulting from the issuance of COPS, which are financing instruments that provide the issuer with cash to finance construction or capital acquisitions. The full faith and credit of the school district is not pledged for payment.
  - Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB) Payable. Tax credit bonds categorized as lease-purchase obligations of the school district that provide federal tax credits in lieu of interest payments to the certificate holder. The proceeds of the bonds may be used for rehabilitating or repairing public school facilities, investing in new equipment and technology, and developing challenging course materials or training teachers, but cannot be used for new school construction.
  - 2343 <u>Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCB) Payable</u>. Tax credit bonds categorized as lease-purchase obligations authorized under

the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to finance school construction and other eligible projects for public schools, for which bondholders receive federal tax credits in lieu of the school district paying interest on the borrowing.

- Build America Bonds (BAB) Payable. Tax credit bonds categorized as lease-purchase obligations authorized under the ARRA to finance construction, rehabilitation, or repair of public school facilities, and for other purposes. The agreement either provides a tax credit to the bondholder in lieu of part of the interest or a reimbursement of a portion of the interest that the school district paid.
- Other Lease-Purchase Agreements Payable. Lease-purchase obligations from other tax-exempt programs used to finance the cost of acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of educational facilities.
- 2350 <u>Estimated Liability for Long-Term Claims</u>. Amounts due for long-term claims that are not otherwise classified, including estimates of insurance claims and judgments.
- Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability. To account for the actuarial calculations for OPEB benefits net of funded amounts, resulting in a net obligation liability for government-wide and proprietary fund financial statement presentation.
- Estimated PECO Advance Payable. Obligation for the repayment of Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) funds received pursuant to Section 1013.64(2), F.S.
- 2380 Other Long-Term Liabilities.
- 2400 Other Noncurrent Liabilities. All other liabilities not provided for in preceding subsections for obligations that are not reasonably expected to require the use of existing resources properly classified as current assets to liquidate.
  - 2410 <u>Advanced Revenues</u>. Liabilities representing revenues collected but unearned.
    - 2411 <u>Advanced Revenue Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO)</u>. The annual allocation of PECO funds for which encumbrance authorizations have not been issued.
    - 2412 <u>Advanced Revenue Cash Advance From Grants.</u> Grants received in advance of meeting eligibility requirements (other than timing).
    - 2413 <u>Advanced Revenues Other.</u>
    - 2414 <u>Advanced Revenue Classrooms First Program</u>. Unearned revenue represented by cash advanced for the Classrooms First Program.

- 2500 <u>Budgetary Credits</u>. A group of general ledger accounts that normally have credit balances and are used to achieve budgetary integration within the accounting system.
  - 2510 <u>Appropriations</u>. Authority granted by the district school board to make expenditures and to incur obligations in the name of the school district for specified purposes and amounts during the fiscal year.

# 2600 <u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>

A deferred inflow of resources is an acquisition of net assets by the school district that is applicable to a future reporting period (GASB Concepts Statement 4, ¶34). Deferred inflows of resources should be combined with liabilities for purposes of determining which elements meet the criteria for major fund determination.

- Accumulated Increase in Fair Value of Hedging Derivatives. School districts should use hedge accounting, in which the changes in fair values of hedging derivative instruments are reported as either deferred inflows or deferred outflows of resources.
- Deficit Net Carrying Amount of Debt Refunding. This is used for either current refundings or advance refundings resulting in defeasance of debt. The amount is the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt, resulting in a deficit net carrying amount. The amount should be recognized as a component of interest expense in a systematic and rational manner over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter.

#### 2630 Deferred Revenue.

- 2631 <u>Deferred Revenue Cash Advance from Grants</u>. Grants received in advance of meeting timing requirements.
- 2632 <u>Deferred Revenue Unavailable</u>. Revenue that has been earned, but will not be received within 60 days after the fiscal year end.
- 2639 Deferred Revenue Other.

#### 2700 FUND BALANCES AND NET POSITION

On the Balance Sheet for governmental funds, assets plus deferred outflows of resources equals liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources plus fund balance. On the combining Statement of Net Position for proprietary and fiduciary funds and for government-wide financial statement presentation, assets, plus deferred outflows of resources, less liabilities, less deferred inflows of resources, equals net position.

- 2710- Fund Balance. The excess of assets plus deferred outflows of resources, over liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources represents fund balance for governmental funds. Fund balance is reported in five classifications that comprise a hierarchy primarily based on the relative strength of the constraints that control how specific amounts can be spent.
  - Nonspendable. The net current financial resources that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Generally, *not in spendable form* means that an item is not expected to be converted to cash (GASB 54, ¶6). Examples of items that are not in spendable form include inventory, prepaid amounts, long-term amounts of loans and notes

receivable, and property acquired for resale. If the use of the proceeds from any of the above will be restricted, committed, or assigned, then the proceeds should be included in an appropriate fund balance classification other than nonspendable. The corpus (or principal) of a permanent fund is an example of an amount that is legally or contractually required to be maintained intact and should therefore be classified as nonspendable.

- 2711 <u>Inventory</u>.
- 2712 Prepaid Amounts.
- 2713 Permanent Fund Principal.
- 2719 Other Not in Spendable Form. The school district is encouraged to identify the cause for which fund balance is not in spendable form on the face of the financial statements.
- Restricted. The portion of fund balance on which constraints have been placed by creditors, grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments, constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation. Restricted fund balance places the most binding level of constraint on the use of fund balance (GASB 54, ¶8). Although similar to the restricted component of net position, this classification will vary depending on the measurement focus and basis of accounting employed in reporting net position and fund balance.
  - 2721 <u>Economic Stabilization</u>. The term "stabilization" refers to economic stabilization, revenue stabilization, budgetary stabilization, and other similarly intended arrangements, including "rainy-day" funds. The formal action that imposes the parameters for spending should identify and describe the specific circumstances under which a need for stabilization arises in the required note disclosure related to stabilization arrangements.
  - 2722 <u>Federal Required Carryover Programs</u>. The segregated portion of fund balance representing the unexpended balances of federal program funds carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year to be expended for the specific purpose of the program.
  - 2723 <u>State Required Carryover Programs</u>. The segregated portion of fund balance representing the unexpended balances of categorical program funds and earmarked funds carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year pursuant to Rule 6A-1.0141, F.A.C.
  - Local Sales Tax and Other Tax Levy. The segregated portion of fund balance representing the unexpended balances of funds raised through local sales tax or other tax levy to be expended in accordance with the purpose for which they were raised. For example, pursuant to Section 1011.71(2), (3), and (4), F.S., levied tax may only be expended for specific purposes; and pursuant to Section 212.055(2) and (6), F.S., local sales tax is levied by authorization from the district school board or through an intergovernmental agreement for capital improvement.

- 2725 <u>Debt Service</u>. The restricted portion of fund balance for debt service from funds that were not raised by tax levy, or a requirement of maintaining a certain level of fund balance based upon the amount of outstanding debt.
- 2726 <u>Capital Projects</u>. The restricted portion of fund balance for capital projects from funds that were not raised by local sales tax or other tax levy.
- 2729 Other Restrictions. The school district is encouraged to identify the purpose for which fund balance is restricted on the face of the financial statements.
- 2730 <u>Committed.</u> The portion of fund balance that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the highest level of decision-making authority the district school board. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the district school board removes or changes the specified use by taking the same action it employed to previously commit the amounts (GASB 54, ¶10). The authority that commits fund balance to a specific purpose should occur prior to the end of the reporting period, but the committed amounts may be determined in the subsequent period before financial statements are issued.
  - 2731 <u>Economic Stabilization</u>. The term "stabilization" refers to economic stabilization, revenue stabilization, budgetary stabilization, and other similarly intended arrangements, including "rainy-day" funds. The formal action that imposes the parameters for spending should identify and describe the specific circumstances under which a need for stabilization arises in the required note disclosure related to stabilization arrangements.
  - 2732 <u>Contractual Agreements</u>. Contractual obligations, to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.
  - 2739 Other Commitments. The school district is encouraged to identify the purpose for which fund balance is being committed on the face of the financial statements.
- Assigned. The portion of fund balance that is intended to be used for specific purposes, but is neither restricted nor committed. Assigned amounts include those that have been set aside for a specific purpose by an authorized government body or official, but the constraint imposed does not satisfy the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed (GASB 54, ¶13). The authority for assigning fund balance need not be the highest decision-making level of the governmental entity in this case, the district school board. It could be a committee of the governing body or an individual delegated the authority by the district school board. Assigned amounts should be established prior to the end of the reporting period.
  - 2741 <u>Special Revenue</u>. The residual classification for Special Revenue Funds other than negative amounts.
  - 2742 <u>Debt Service</u>. The residual classification for Debt Service Funds other than negative amounts.
  - 2743 <u>Capital Projects</u>. The residual classification for Capital Projects Funds other than negative amounts.

- 2744 <u>Permanent Fund</u>. The residual classification for the Permanent Fund other than negative amounts.
- Other Assignments. Other assigned purposes in the general fund that are neither restricted nor committed. This amount cannot cause a deficit in the unassigned fund balance. The school district is encouraged to identify the purpose for which fund balance is being assigned on the face of the financial statements.
- 2750 <u>Unassigned</u>. The portion of fund balance that is the residual classification for the general fund. This balance represents amounts that have not been assigned to other funds and that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes. For other funds, if the residual is still negative after eliminating assigned fund balances, the negative residual amount should be classified as unassigned fund balance (GASB 54, ¶17).
- Net Position. The residual of all other elements presented in the Statement of Net Position for government-wide financial statement presentation and for proprietary and fiduciary funds. It is measured by the difference between (a) assets and deferred outflows of resources and (b) liabilities and deferred inflows of resources (GASB Concepts Statement 4, ¶37).
  - Net Investment in Capital Assets. The component of net position that consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
  - 2780 Restricted. The component of net position that consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. A liability relates to restricted assets if the asset results from a resource flow that also results in the recognition of a liability or if the liability will be liquidated with the restricted assets reported. Restricted net position should distinguish between major categories of restrictions.
  - 2785 <u>Amounts Held in Trust</u>. The difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources of fiduciary funds.
  - 2790 <u>Unrestricted</u>. The net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted components of net position.

#### Chapter 3

#### **Revenue Accounts**

This chapter provides revenue account numbers and related definitions.

- Federal Direct. Revenues received by the school district directly from the federal government.
  - Federal Impact Funds. Funds provided to the school district as non-earmarked funds to be used for the support of the total school program when increased enrollment is attributable to federally connected activities.
    - Federal Impact, Current Operations. These are non-earmarked funds, accounted for through the district school fund, to be used for the support of the total school program. A school district may qualify for revenue from this source during any school year when minimum conditions are met. In order to be eligible, at least 3 percent of the total average daily attendance (K-12) must result from students who have a parent employed on an eligible federally owned property within the State of Florida. The parent may be a member of the Armed Forces stationed on such property as a private individual, a civil service employee, or an employee of a contractor working on this property. Application forms and instructions are available from the DOE.
  - 3170 <u>Workforce Investment Act</u>. Amounts received directly from the federal government to assist in providing training and education for economically disadvantaged individuals that will maximize employment opportunities.
  - 3180 <u>Community Action Programs</u>. Funds provided by the federal government for community action programs to meet critical community needs and to help urban and rural communities mobilize their resources to combat poverty (includes volunteer programs).
  - 3190 Other Federal Direct. Other amounts received directly from the federal government.
    - Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC). Amounts received to assist school districts in establishing ROTC programs.
    - Miscellaneous Federal Direct. Other sources of direct federal funding not previously classified.
- Federal Through State and Local. Revenues from the federal government distributed through the state or an intermediate agency to the school district.
  - 3201 <u>Vocational Education Acts</u>. Formula grant funds provided to assist in conducting and strengthening vocational education programs.
  - 3202 Medicaid. Funds received as reimbursement through the federal Medicaid program.
  - 3214 <u>Race to the Top.</u> ARRA grant for the purpose of achieving key educational goals for student achievement.

- 3215 <u>Education Jobs Act</u>. Federal stimulus program to save or create education jobs. Program money is to be spent on educational and related services for early childhood, elementary, and secondary education at the school level.
- Workforce Investment Act. Amounts received to assist in providing training and education for economically disadvantaged individuals that will maximize employment opportunities. Programs include Carl Perkins and Adult Literacy.
- 3225 <u>Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Title II, Part A.</u> Amounts received to increase student academic achievement by improving teacher and principal quality.
- 3226 <u>Math and Science Partnerships Title II, Part B.</u> Funds received to improve the skills of teachers and the quality of instruction in mathematics and science in elementary and secondary schools.
- 3227 <u>Drug-Free Schools.</u> Funds received for drug and alcohol abuse education and prevention programs.
- 3230 <u>Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)</u>. Amounts received from grants for handicapped students, including preschool children ages 3-5.
- 3240 <u>Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Title I.</u> Amounts received from grants to assist in the education of students who are disadvantaged.
- 3251 <u>Adult General Education</u>. Funds provided to encourage and expand basic educational programs for adults.
- 3253 <u>Vocational Rehabilitation</u>. Funds provided for vocational rehabilitation training.
- 3255 <u>National Forest Funds</u>. Revenue received by a school district from the sale of timber and forest products from a national forest within the boundaries of the county.
- National School Lunch Act. Funds, grants-in-aid, and other assistance for providing an adequate supply of foods and facilities for the establishment, maintenance, operation, and expansion of nonprofit school lunch programs.
  - 3261 <u>School Lunch Reimbursement</u>. Federal reimbursement distributed by the state for lunches served through this program.
  - 3262 <u>School Breakfast Reimbursement</u>. Federal reimbursement distributed by the state for breakfasts served through this program.
  - 3263 <u>Afterschool Snack Reimbursement</u>. Federal reimbursement distributed by the state for snacks served through this program.
  - 3264 <u>Child Care Food Program</u>. Department of Health reimbursements, including food and milk reimbursements.
  - 3265 <u>USDA Donated Commodities</u>. This account reflects the fair market value of foods donated by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The school district must record the value of donations in reporting revenues and expenditures. The amount of donations in inventory should be recorded in Inventory and Deferred Revenues accounts.

- 3266 <u>Cash in Lieu of Donated Foods.</u> Amounts received in cash through the donated food program.
- 3267 <u>Summer Food Service Program</u>. Reimbursement program established to ensure low-income children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is not in session. This is not a part of the regular school lunch reimbursement program.
- 3268 <u>Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program</u>. Federal reimbursement program to introduce school children to a variety of produce that they otherwise might not have the opportunity to sample. The funding will allow schools to provide free fresh fruit and vegetables to children throughout the school day.
- 3269 <u>Other Food Services.</u> Other food service revenues not previously classified.
- 3280 <u>Federal Through Local</u>. Revenues from the federal government distributed through an intermediate agency.
- 3290 Other Federal Through State. Other federal funds received from the state.
  - Emergency Immigrant Education Program. Federal programs for Cuban, Haitian, Indo-Chinese, and other immigrant students.
  - 3299 <u>Miscellaneous Federal Through State</u>. Other sources of federal through state revenues not previously classified.

#### 3300 Revenues from State Sources.

- 3310 <u>Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP)</u>. Revenue received for current operations under this program.
- 3315 <u>Workforce Development</u>. Amounts received from state-funded programs for adult general education, technical certificate programs, Approved Training Organization programs, apprenticeship programs, and continuing education.
- 3316 <u>Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant</u>. Grant funds provided by the state to defray the costs associated with the start-up or expansion of workforce development programs.
- 3317 <u>Workforce Education Performance Incentives.</u> To account for workforce education performance incentives identified in the General Appropriations Act.
- Adults With Disabilities. Amounts received from the state to fund programs for adults with disabilities.
- State Auto License, Capital Outlay and Debt Service (CO&DS). Since January 1, 1953, all state appropriations for CO&DS have been secured through the first receipts from the sale of state automobile license tags. The amount is computed pursuant to Section 1010.57, F.S. These funds are earmarked for approved CO&DS by the state constitution and State Board of Education rules (SBE rules).

- 3321 <u>CO&DS Distributed</u>. Funds remitted by the state to the school district that are available for approved projects.
- 3322 CO&DS Withheld for SBE/COBI Bonds. Section 9, Article XII of the State Constitution authorizes the SBE to sell bonds and revenue certificates for and on behalf of district school boards. These bonds, when issued, must be retired from a portion of the CO&DS funds available to participating school districts. The state acts as fiscal and paying agent for the school districts and computes the annual requirement for reserves, principal, interest, and other debt service items. The debt service requirement is deducted from the school district's CO&DS funding and the amounts needed for reporting these items are provided by the DOE.
- 3323 <u>CO&DS Withheld for Administrative Expenditure</u>. The state acts as paying agent for SBE bonds and plan review. The state constitution authorizes a minor charge for these services. **This is a book entry provided by the state.**
- Interest on Undistributed CO&DS. Interest earnings on CO&DS funds held in trust for distribution to school districts in the subsequent fiscal year.
- 3326 <u>SBE/COBI Bond Interest</u>. Interest earnings from required reserve maintained during the first three years of each SBE bond issue, as provided by the resolution authorizing sale of SBE bonds. The reserve is invested by the state and each school district is credited with its pro rata share of interest earnings, which will be provided by the DOE.

#### 3330 Categorical State Sources.

- 3335 <u>Diagnostic and Learning Resources Centers</u>. Funds for use in promotion of an exceptional child program usually restricted by an approved plan or budget.
- 3337 <u>School Breakfast Supplement.</u> Revenue received for the elementary student breakfast supplement pursuant to Sections 595.405 and 595.406, F.S.
- 3338 <u>School Lunch Supplement</u>. State reimbursement to the school districts for required matching of federal funds.

## 3340 Other State Revenues.

- Racing Commission Funds. Revenue provided to school districts from pari-mutuel wagering pursuant to Chapter 550, F.S. Funds may be restricted by terms of the Florida Pari-Mutuel Wagering Act.
- 3342 <u>State Forest Funds</u>. Amounts received by those school districts in which a state forest is located.
- 3343 <u>State License Tax.</u> Receipts provided from mobile home licenses in accordance with Section 320.081, F.S.

District Discretionary Lottery Funds. Funding allocated from the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund pursuant to appropriation by the Legislature.

# 3350- Other Categorical Sources.

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- 3355 <u>Class Size Reduction Operating Funds</u>. Revenue received in accordance with Section 1011.685, F.S., to be used to reduce class size as required in Section 1003.03, F.S.
- 3361 <u>School Recognition Funds</u>. Funding for the School Recognition Program awarded to schools that sustain high performance or demonstrate substantial improvement in student performance, pursuant to Section 1008.36, F.S.
- Excellent Teaching Program. Revenue received to fund monetary incentives and bonuses, including the employer's share of payroll taxes and retirement contributions for teachers who qualify for national board certification in accordance with Section 1012.72, F.S. (Dale Hickam Excellent Teaching Program).
- 3371 <u>Voluntary Prekindergarten Program (VPK)</u>. Revenue received for the VPK Program as provided in Section 1002.53, F.S.
- 3372 <u>Preschool Projects</u>. Programs and initiatives designed to provide funding and services in local communities to children, from birth to 5 years of age, and their families. Includes Prekindergarten Early Intervention, Florida First Start, Collaborative Partnership Incentives, Migrant Preschool, and Regional Assistance.
- 3373 <u>Reading Programs</u>. Revenue received for intensive reading programs to improve the reading proficiency of students.
- 3378 <u>Full-Service Schools</u>. Funding received for the continuation and expansion of the Full-Service Schools Program.

## 3390 Miscellaneous State Revenues. Other amounts received from the state.

- Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO). Capital outlay funds derived from the Gross Receipts Tax and distributed pursuant to Section 1013.65, F.S. Funds are distributed based upon cash flow needs for projects rather than in a lump sum or annual disbursement. Allocations are initially recorded as deferred revenues, with revenue recognized on issuance of an encumbrance authorization.
- Classrooms First Program. Funding provided for the Classroom First Program pursuant to Section 1013.68, F.S., for the construction, renovation, remodeling, repair, or maintenance of educational facilities; or debt service on Classrooms First bonds. Allocations are initially recorded as deferred revenues, with revenue recognized on issuance of an encumbrance authorization.

- 3393 <u>School Infrastructure Thrift (SIT) Program Act.</u> Revenue awarded through the SIT program pursuant to Section 1013.42, F.S. (Section 1013.42, F.S., has been repealed effective July 1, 2013.)
- Effort Index Grants. Revenue received through Effort Index Grants for educational facilities construction projects pursuant to Section 1013.73, F.S. (Section 1013.73, F.S., has been repealed effective July 1, 2013.)
- 3395 <u>Smart Schools Small County Assistance Program</u>. Funding provided to small counties for the construction, expansion, repair, and renovation of school facilities. This program is a supplement to the Special Facility Construction Account.
- 3396 <u>Class Size Reduction Capital Outlay</u>. Capital outlay funds received in accordance with Section 1013.735, F.S., Classrooms for Kids Program, and Section 1013.736, F.S., District Effort Recognition Program.
- Charter School Capital Outlay Funding. Capital outlay funds provided to charter schools, pursuant to Section 1013.62, F.S. Although this revenue is capital in nature, the distributions to charter schools are operating in nature. For fund financial accounting, the school district should transfer the charter school capital outlay funds from the capital projects fund to the general fund. Please see the description under Object 390 in Chapter 4 for charter school distributions.
- Other Miscellaneous State Revenues. Other sources of state funding not previously classified, including District Cost Differential supplements.

#### 3400 Revenues From Local Sources.

- 3410 <u>Taxes</u>. Taxes levied by a school system on the assessed valuation of real and personal property located within the school district and local sales surtaxes levied by referendum. The budgeted tax revenues from the assessed valuation of property must represent at least 96 percent of the yield from the proposed millage (millage  $\times$  assessed valuation  $\times$  96%).
  - 3411 <u>District School Taxes.</u> Tax revenue generated from the operating tax millage.
  - 3412 <u>District Debt Service Taxes</u>. Amounts from special tax millages levied for the purpose of retiring bonds issued pursuant to Sections 1010.41 through 1010.55, F.S.
  - 3413 <u>District Local Capital Improvement Tax.</u> Revenue generated from a tax levy authorized by Section 1011.71(2), F.S., for the purposes specified by that statute.
  - 3418 <u>County Local Sales Tax</u>. Funds received from a capital outlay sales surtax levied through an interlocal agreement by which the surtax is levied under the county's authority, as provided by Section 212.055(2), F.S.

- 3419 <u>School District Local Sales Tax</u>. Funds received from a capital outlay sales surtax levied under the authority of a district school board, as provided by Section 212.055(6), F.S.
- 3421 <u>Tax Redemptions</u>. Revenue received during the fiscal year from the clerk of the circuit court for tax redemptions and from the sale of lands acquired for delinquent taxes.
- <u>Payment in Lieu of Taxes.</u> Amounts received from a local housing authority or similar agency in lieu of the payment of taxes.
- Excess Fees. All excess fees received from the tax collector.
- Tuition. Amounts received for the education of nonresidents.
- Rent. Amounts received from the rental of property owned by the school district and currently used for school purposes or rent from property other than school facilities.
- Investment Income. Interest earnings from amounts held in daily balances, savings accounts, time deposits, or investments. Also, profit on the sale of investments. (Interest or profit should be recorded in the fund that produced the earnings, unless specified otherwise by bond resolution or legal documents.) A government is required to stop hedge accounting as soon as the hedge derivative instrument is terminated. The school district must recognize deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources relating to the hedge derivative instruments as investment income. Termination should be determined based upon the guidance provided in GASB Statement 53, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Derivative Instruments: Application of Hedge Accounting Termination Provisions.
  - 3431 <u>Interest on Investments</u>. Interest earnings on investments in United States Treasury bills, notes, bonds, savings accounts, time certificates of deposit, mortgages, or other interest-bearing obligations.
  - 3432 <u>Gain on Sale of Investments</u>. The gain realized from the sale of investments (i.e., the excess of sales proceeds over cost or other basis at the date of sale).
  - Net Increase (Decrease) in the Fair Value of Investments. Account established to recognize the change in fair value of investments in accordance with GASB Statement 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools.
- 3440 <u>Gifts, Grants, and Bequests</u>. Amounts received from a philanthropic foundation, private individual or organization, or county commission for which no repayment or special service to contributor is expected.
- Food Service. Revenues received from the sale of meals and other related food service activities, including receipts from other agencies or projects for meals provided under contract to various groups or agencies. The following accounts are provided to further classify the various types of receipts such as breakfast, lunch, and milk, as required by approved forms.

- 3451 Student Lunches.
- 3452 Student Breakfasts.
- 3453 Adult Breakfasts/Lunches.
- 3454 Student and Adult à la Carte Fees.
- 3455 Student Snacks.
- 3456 Other Food Sales.
- 3460 <u>Student Fees.</u> Student fees that are authorized by statute and established by the district school board.
  - Adult General Education Course Fees. Fees charged to adult students for enrollment in adult general education courses as authorized by Section 1009.22, F.S., and annual appropriations provisions.
  - Postsecondary Vocational Course Fees. Fees charged to adult students enrolled in adult vocational courses as authorized by appropriations proviso and Section 1009.22, F.S.
  - 3463 <u>Continuing Workforce Education Course Fees.</u> Fees charged pursuant to Section 1009.22, F.S.
  - 3464 <u>Capital Improvement Fees</u>. Capital improvement fees charged to students enrolled in postsecondary adult vocational or adult general courses pursuant to Section 1009.22, F.S.
  - 3465 <u>Postsecondary Lab Fees.</u> Lab fees charged to students enrolled in postsecondary adult vocational or adult general courses pursuant to Section 1009.22, F.S.
  - 3466 <u>Lifelong Learning Fees.</u> Fees for adult noncredit courses defined by Section 1004.02(18), F.S.
  - General Education Development (GED) Testing Fees. Testing fees charged to candidates who take the GED test battery or individual exams, including retesting, as authorized in Section 1004.93(4)(a), F.S., and as provided in Rule 6A-6.021, F.A.C.
  - Financial Aid Fees. Fees charged to adult students enrolled in adult vocational and adult general education courses authorized by Section 1009.22, F.S., and appropriations proviso.
  - Other Student Fees. Other student fees authorized by statute and not specified above.
- Other Fees. Other fees authorized by statute or established by the district school board.

- 3471 Preschool Program Fees. Fees charged for preschool programs.
- 3472 <u>Prekindergarten Early Intervention Fees</u>. Fees charged for prekindergarten early intervention programs.
- 3473 <u>School-Age Child Care Fees.</u> Fees charged for school-age child care programs.
- Other Schools, Courses, and Classes Fees. Other student fees.
- Operating Revenues. Proprietary fund revenues directly related to the fund's primary activities. These revenues consist primarily of user charges for goods and services.
  - 3481 <u>Charges for Services</u>. Operating revenues generated by a proprietary fund from rendering services to customers.
  - 3482 <u>Charges for Sales</u>. Operating revenues generated by a proprietary fund from the sale of goods to customers.
  - 3484 <u>Premium Revenue</u>. Operating revenue generated by a proprietary fund from insurance premiums.
  - Other Operating Revenues. Other operating revenues generated by a proprietary fund not previously classified.
- 3490 <u>Miscellaneous Local Sources</u>. Other amounts received from local sources.
  - 3491 <u>Bus Fees</u>. Fees received for the use of school buses (except for school activities), including payments from other school districts.
  - 3492 <u>Transportation Services Rendered for School Activities</u>. Amounts received from school internal accounts in payment of transportation costs for school-related activities such as football games, band\_outings, and field trips.
  - 3493 <u>Sale of Junk</u>. Amounts received from the sale of items classified as junk for salvage or recycling.
  - 3494 Receipt of Federal Indirect Cost Rate. Amounts received from federally contracted programs for indirect expenditures when an indirect cost rate has been approved by the DOE.
  - Other Miscellaneous Local Sources. Other miscellaneous revenues not previously classified.
  - 3496 <u>Impact Fees</u>. Revenue received from intergovernmental agencies derived from fees assessed for development of real property.
  - Refunds of Prior Year's Expenditures.
  - 3498 <u>Collections for Lost, Damaged, and Sold Textbooks</u>. Amounts received locally for lost and damaged textbooks and sale of textbooks.

- 3499 <u>Receipts of Food Service Indirect Costs.</u> Collections from the Food Service Fund for indirect costs.
- 3600- Other Financing Sources. Increases in current financial resources other than revenues.

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- 3600 <u>Transfers</u>. Nonreciprocal interfund activity represented by the disbursement of cash or goods from one fund within the school district to another fund without an equivalent return and without a requirement for repayment.
  - 3610 <u>Transfers from General Fund</u>. Amounts received from the general fund with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 3620 <u>Transfers from Debt Service Funds</u>. Amounts received from debt service funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 3630 <u>Transfers from Capital Projects Funds</u>. Amounts received from capital projects funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - Transfers from Special Revenue Funds. Amounts received from special revenue funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 3650 <u>Interfund</u>. Amounts received from one fund by another fund within the same fund type with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 3660 <u>Transfers from Permanent Funds</u>. Amounts received from permanent funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 3670 <u>Transfers from Internal Service Funds</u>. Amounts received from internal service funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 3690 <u>Transfers from Enterprise Funds</u>. Amounts received from enterprise funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
- Face Value of Long-term Debt and Sale of Capital Assets. Increases in current financial resources resulting from the issuance of long-term debt and sale of capital assets.
  - 3710 <u>Issuance of Bonds</u>. The par value from the sale of bonds reported in the Capital Projects Fund. Any accrued interest is used to reduce the interest payable on the issue and should be credited to Accrued Interest Payable in the Debt Service Fund until the first interest payment date following the date of sale. Any premium or discount should be reported separately as either an other financing source or other financing use. See Chapter 2 for definitions of bond types.
    - 3711 SBE/COBI Bonds.
    - 3712 District Bonds.
    - 3713 Special Act Bonds.
    - 3714 Motor Vehicle License Revenue Bonds.
    - 3715 <u>Face Value of Refunding Bonds.</u>

- 3716 Sales Surtax Bonds.
- <u>Loans.</u> Proceeds of loans not repaid during the fiscal year in which obtained. See Chapter 2 for definitions of loan types.
  - 3721 Section 1011.14/1011.15, F.S., Loans.
  - 3722 <u>Bond Anticipation Loans.</u>
  - 3724 <u>Capital Lease Agreements</u>.
- 3730 <u>Sale of Capital Assets</u>. Proceeds from sale of capital assets of a school district.
  - 3731 <u>Sale of Land</u>. Proceeds from sale of real property (unimproved).
  - 3732 <u>Sale of Buildings</u>. Proceeds from sale of land and buildings.
  - 3733 <u>Sale of Equipment</u>. Proceeds from sale of equipment.
- Loss Recoveries. Amounts received from insurance or other sources as a result of the loss of school district property from fire, theft, or other causes.
  - 3741 <u>Insurance Loss Recovery</u>.
  - 3742 Other Loss Recovery.
- Proceeds of Lease-Purchase Agreements. Proceeds from the issuance of lease-purchase agreements, including COPS, for the purpose of capital acquisition or construction. (Investors buy shares of specified revenues rather than bonds secured by the revenues.) Any premium or discount should be reported separately as either an other financing source or other financing use. See Chapter 2 for definitions of lease-purchase agreement types.
  - 3751 <u>Certificates of Participation (COPS)</u>.
  - 3752 Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB).
  - 3753 Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCB).
  - 3754 Build America Bonds (BAB).
  - 3755 <u>Refunding Lease-Purchase Agreements.</u>
  - 3759 Other Lease-Purchase Agreements.
- Proceeds of Forward Supply Contract. Amounts received at the time of bond refunding representing proceeds from a forward supply contract that provides payment to the bond issuer for future interest to be earned on sinking fund investments that are made between the date of maturity and the date of scheduled interest or principal payments.
- 3770 <u>Proceeds from Special Facility Construction Account.</u> Funds received from the Special Facility Construction Account as authorized by Section 1013.64(2), F.S.

- 3780 <u>Gain on Disposition of Assets</u>. The excess of the financial inflows over the carrying value of the disposed assets.
- 3790 <u>Premium on Long-term Debt</u>. The amount of premium received in connection with the issuance of long-term debt. After conversion of the premium for government-wide financial statement presentation, the unamortized premium is included in the carrying amount of the liability. The amortization of the premium increases interest revenues.
  - 3791 Premium on Sale of Bonds.
  - 3792 <u>Premium on Refunding Bonds.</u>
  - 3793 <u>Premium on Lease-Purchase Agreements.</u>
  - 3794 Premium on Refunding Lease-Purchase Agreements.

## Chapter 4

## **Fund Structure and Expenditure Accounts**

This chapter presents fund and expenditure account numbers and related definitions.

**NOTE:** Function and object code field sizes are four and three characters, respectively. The state does not currently require direct coding of the third and fourth characters of function codes or the third character of object codes, but may specify such coding in the future.

# **FUNDS**

A fund is a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. It records changes in cash and other financial resources, together with all related liabilities and residual equities or balances. Funds are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions, or limitations (NCGA Statement 1,  $\P$ 2).

<u>Code</u>		<u>Description</u>	
00X	restricted support t	<u>Permanent Funds</u> . Permanent funds should be used to account for and report resources that are restricted to the extent that only earnings, and not principal, may be used for purposes that support the government's programs – that is, for the benefit of the government or its citizenry (GASB 54, $\P$ 35).	
100		General Fund. The general fund should be used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund (GASB 54, ¶ 29).	
2XX	that are service f are bein	bt Service Funds. Debt service funds are used to account for and report financial resources t are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest. Debt vice funds should be used to report resources if legally mandated. Financial resources that being accumulated for principal and interest maturing in future years also should be orted in debt service funds (GASB 54, ¶34).	
	210	SBE/COBI Bonds. SBE/COBI bonds issued by the SBE on behalf of the school district under Section 9, Article XII of the State Constitution.	
	220	Special Act Bonds. Bonds or revenue certificates issued by the school district pursuant to authority granted by special acts of the Legislature.	
	230	Section 1011.14/1011.15, F.S., Loans. Loans negotiated under authority of the cited statutory provisions.	
	240	Motor Vehicle Revenue Bonds. Bonds issued under this expired authority.	
	250	<u>District Bonds</u> . Bonds issued by the school district as authorized by vote of the people of the school district.	
	291-298	Other Debt Service.	
	299	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Economic Stimulus Debt Service. Debt Service for ARRA school construction bonds.	

- 3XX <u>Capital Projects Funds</u>. Capital projects funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets (GASB 54, ¶33).
  - 310 <u>COBI</u>. State of Florida capital outlay bond issues are used to finance these capital projects. These projects include the construction of new schools, including capital equipment and additions to existing schools.
  - 320 <u>Special Act Bonds</u>. Special Act bonds (including Racing Commission revenue bonds) are used to finance these capital projects, which vary in purpose depending on the specifications of the bond issue.
  - Section 1011.14/1011.15, F.S., Loans. Short-term (one year) loans for capital projects may be renewed by the district school board up to four times. Long-term, emergency loans may be secured for capital projects to address a roof that has been destroyed or refrigeration equipment that is no longer functional, for example.
  - 340 <u>Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO)</u>. The gross receipts tax used to finance capital projects.
  - District Bonds. Bonds issued as the result of a referendum passed by voters are used to finance these capital projects. Most bonds are issued for the construction of new schools, but any capital project approved by the voters may be financed with these bonds.
  - 360 <u>Capital Outlay and Debt Service (CO&DS) Program</u>. The school district's allocation from the State of Florida's CO&DS Program is used to fund projects such as the construction of new schools, including capital equipment and additions to existing schools.
  - Nonvoted Capital Improvement Fund District School Tax Section 1011.71(2), F.S. A tax levied by the district school board against the taxable value of property is used to finance projects advertised for expenditures pursuant to this authority. Subfunds may be used for each fiscal year levy to account for revenues, expenditures, and unexpended amounts.
  - Woted Capital Improvement Fund. A tax of up to one mill may be levied for capital projects for up to two years pursuant to Section 1011.73(1), F.S., if voted by the qualified electors of the school district.
  - 391-398 Other Capital Projects. Capital projects funded by other sources including class size reduction funding from the State of Florida, half-cent sales tax revenue (district school board referendum approved by the voters pursuant to Section 212.055(6), F.S.), one-cent intergovernmental local sales tax revenue (referendum by group of local governments, approved by the voters pursuant to Section 212.055(2), F.S.), and lease-purchase agreements.
  - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Economic Stimulus Capital Projects. Capital projects funded by the ARRA related to construction, renovation, and remodeling.

- 4XX Special Revenue Funds. Special revenue funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects. Special revenue funds should not be used to account for resources held in trust for individuals, private organizations, or other governments (GASB 54, ¶30). Florida school districts should disclose in the notes to financial statements the purpose of each major special revenue fund, identifying which revenues and other resources are reported in each of those funds. Florida school districts should report federal categorical aid and food services as special revenue funds.
  - 410 Food Services.
  - 420 Other Federal Programs.
  - 430 <u>Federal Economic Stimulus Programs</u>. Select federal funds to be disbursed through the state and received as federal-direct grants. Due to the unprecedented scope and importance of these federal programs, these special revenue funds are subject to additional and more rigorous reporting requirements than normally apply to other federal programs. The federal grants that fall under this special revenue grouping include the ARRA, the Race to the Top grant, and the Education Jobs Act. The funds listed below include both ARRA grants and other stimulus programs.
    - 432 <u>Targeted American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Stimulus Funds.</u> Stimulus funds targeted for specific programs, including Title I and IDEA.
    - Other American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Stimulus Grants.

      Stimulus funds provided for other purposes. These funds may be disbursed through the state or received as federal-direct grants.
    - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Race to the Top. Stimulus grant awarded to Florida for the purpose of achieving its three key goals for student achievement, which are to 1) double the percentage of incoming high school freshmen who ultimately graduate from high school, go on to college, and achieve at least a year's worth of college credit; 2) cut the achievement gap in half in 2015; and 3) increase the percentage of students scoring at or above proficient on the National Assessment of Educational Progress by 2015, to or beyond the performance levels of the highest-performing states.
    - 435 <u>Education Jobs Act</u>. Federal program to save or create education jobs. Jobs funded under this program include those that provide educational and related services for early childhood, elementary, and secondary education at the school level.

#### 491-499 Miscellaneous Special Revenue.

TXX Internal Service Funds. Funds established to account for any activity within the school district that provides goods or services to other funds, departments, or agencies of the primary government and its component units, or to other governments, on a cost-reimbursement basis. Use of an internal service fund is appropriate only when the school district is the predominant participant in the activity.

- 711-715 Self-Insurance.
- 731 Consortium Programs.
- 791 Other Internal Service.
- 8XX <u>Fiduciary Funds</u>. Funds used to report resources held by the school district in a trustee or agency capacity for others that, therefore, cannot be used to support the school district's own programs.
  - 840-849 Investment Trust Funds.
  - 850-859 Private-purpose Trust Funds.
  - 870-879 Pension (and Other Employee Benefit) Trust Funds.
  - 891 School Internal Funds.
  - 892-899 Agency Funds.
- 9XX <u>Enterprise Funds</u>. This fund may be used to account for any activity for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services. Enterprise funds are required to be used to account for any activity whose principal revenue sources meet any of the following criteria: 1) debt backed solely by revenues from fees and charges (thus, not debt that is backed by the full faith and credit of the school district); 2) legal requirement to recover costs through fees and charges; and 3) policy decision of the governing board of management to recover the costs of providing services through fees or charges. Some examples of enterprise funds are activities such as the bookstore operation, the athletic stadium, and the community swimming pool. All public entity risk pools (Self-Insurance Consortiums) are required to be accounted for as enterprise funds.
  - 911-914 Self-Insurance Consortium.
  - 915 ARRA Consortium.
  - 921-922 Other Enterprise Programs.

#### **OBJECT CODES**

The object classification indicates the type of goods or services obtained as a result of a specific expenditure. Seven major object categories for expenditures and expenses are identified and described in this handbook: Salaries, Employee Benefits, Purchased Services, Energy Services, Materials and Supplies, Capital Outlay, and Other. An additional object for other financing uses is included for transfers between funds. These broad categories are subdivided to capture more detailed information about expenditures. These subobject codes use two of the three characters in the three-character field; the third character is reserved for future specification by the State of Florida. Although specified herein, the second character in the salaries object codes is not required, but is available for school districts' consideration. The optional third characters of the 100, 200, and 600 object codes are provided in Appendix B.

<u>Code</u> <u>Description</u>

- Salaries. Amounts paid to employees of the school system who are considered to be in positions of a permanent nature, including personnel under written contract substituting for individuals in permanent positions. See Subobject 750, Other Personal Services, for temporary services. This includes gross salary for personal services rendered while on the payroll of the district school board. Salaries shall be classified as follows.
  - Administrator. Persons with administrative duties who have authority over management policies in school district and/or school operations. Included are the superintendent; deputy, associate, assistant, and area superintendents; executive and general directors; assistant directors; supervisors; coordinators; administrators on special assignment; principals; assistant principals; and curriculum coordinators, deans, and persons who carry out the job responsibilities indicated above with an alternate job title.
  - 120 <u>Classroom Teacher.</u> Staff members assigned the professional activity of instructing students in courses.
  - Other Certified. Included are all other members of the instructional staff (teachers) as defined in Section 1012.01, F.S., except classroom teachers and their substitutes. Examples include primary specialists, guidance counselors, psychologists, occupational/placement specialists, and media specialists. Salaries of personnel serving in positions that are part-time classroom teaching and part-time primary specialist (or other role) shall be apportioned to the two objects.
  - Substitute Teacher. Persons who substitute for classroom teachers either on a full-time or part-time basis.
  - Paraprofessional. Persons who are paraprofessionals under the supervision of a classroom teacher, library paraprofessionals, and other school-level paraprofessionals.
  - Other Support Personnel. Included are all district school board employees not listed in another category. Examples include clerical/secretarial staff, technicians, transportation workers, custodians, cafeteria workers, accountants, architects, computer programmers, nurses, skilled craftsmen, engineers, mechanics, and unskilled laborers.

- Board Members and Attorneys. Persons who serve as district school board members and individuals who are attorneys for the district school board.
- <u>Employee Benefits</u>. Amounts paid by the school system on behalf of employees. These amounts are not included in gross salary. Such payments are fringe benefits and, while not paid directly to employees, are part of the cost of employing staff. Benefits should be identified with the function in which the salaries are recorded. In the special case of Workers' Compensation, a functional prorated amount based on an approximate premium cost is required.
  - 210 <u>Retirement</u>. Employer's share of any state or local employee retirement system paid by the school district, including the amount paid for employees assigned to federal programs.
  - 220 <u>Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA)</u>. Contributions of the employer's share of Social Security and Medicare for school district personnel (including hourly personnel).
  - 230 <u>Group Insurance</u>. Expenditures to provide group insurance coverage (including life, health, and accident insurance) for school personnel.
  - Workers' Compensation. Expenditures to provide workers' compensation coverage.
  - <u>Unemployment Compensation</u>. Expenditures for the school district's share of unemployment compensation claims arising from former employees. If claims of any year are material, the cost should be distributed to functions on the basis of salaries paid in the current year. If the claims are immaterial, the costs may be charged to Function 7100.
  - 290 Other Employee Benefits. Employee benefits other than those classified above, including fringe benefits such as automobile allowances, housing and related supplements, moving expenditures, and paid parking.
- Purchased Services. Amounts paid for personal services rendered by personnel who are not on the payroll of the district school board, and other services that the board may purchase. While a product may or may not result from the transaction, the primary reason for the purchase is the service provided.
  - Professional and Technical Services. Services that by their nature can be performed only by persons with specialized skills and knowledge acquired through intensive academic preparation. Included are the services of architects, engineers, auditors, dentists, medical doctors, lawyers, consultants, and accountants.
    - 311 <u>Subawards Under Subagreements First \$25,000</u>. For subagreements reported under Professional and Technical Services, record the first \$25,000 of each subaward.
    - 312 <u>Subawards Under Subagreements In Excess of \$25,000</u>. For subagreements reported under Professional and Technical Services, record all subawards in excess of \$25,000 regardless of the period covered by the grant or subcontract.

- Insurance and Bond Premiums. Expenditures for all types of insurance coverage (other than group insurance as described in Object 230), such as property, liability, fidelity, and bond premiums.
- Travel. Costs for transportation, meals, hotels, registration fees, and other expenditures associated with traveling on business for the district school board. Per diem payments in lieu of reimbursement for subsistence (room and board) are reported as travel expenditures. Also included is student travel authorized by the district school board.
- Repairs and Maintenance. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance services not provided directly by school district personnel. This includes contracts and agreements covering the upkeep of grounds, buildings, and equipment. Costs for new construction, renovations, and remodeling are capital expenditures and, therefore, are not included.

**NOTE:** Equipment repair services that are direct costs of specific programs within the FEFP shall be charged to the appropriate code under Function 5000, Instruction. Equipment repair services rendered for Function 7800, Student Transportation Services, and Function 7600, Food Services, should be charged to those functions. Routine maintenance of audiovisual equipment should be charged to Function 6200, Instructional Media Services. All other equipment repairs may be charged to Function 8100, Maintenance of Plant.

- Rentals. Expenditures for leasing or renting land, buildings, films, and equipment for both temporary and long-range use of the district school board. This object code includes annual fees charged for support and maintenance of software, software licenses, annual access fees for electronic devices, and fees for broadcast rights. Payments on capital leases are not recorded in this account, but are recorded as a reduction of principal and the recognition of expenditures.
- 370 <u>Communications</u>. Expenditures to provide telephone service, cellular phone service, and postage for the district school system. Telephone service should be charged to Function 7900, Operation of Plant. Other communication costs should be identified with the appropriate functions.
- Public Utility Services Other than Energy Services. Expenditures for services usually provided by public utilities except energy services (see Object 400). Examples include water, sewage, and garbage collection.
- Other Purchased Services. Expenditures for all other purchased services not included above, such as printing, binding, reproduction, pest control, and other nonprofessional purchased services. Distributions to charter schools are also included as other purchased services.
  - 391 <u>Subawards Under Subagreements First \$25,000</u>. For subagreements reported under Other Purchased Services, record the first \$25,000 of each subaward.
  - 392 <u>Subawards Under Subagreements In Excess of \$25,000.</u> For subagreements reported under Other Purchased Services, record all

subawards in excess of \$25,000, regardless of the period covered by the grant or subcontract.

- 400 <u>Energy Services</u>. Expenditures for the various types of energy used by the school district should be classified as follows:
  - 410 Natural Gas.
    - 411 <u>Natural Gas</u>. Natural gas used in educational plant facilities.
    - 412 <u>Compressed Natural Gas.</u> Natural gas used for student transportation.
  - 420 <u>Bottled Gas</u>.
    - 421 <u>Bottled Gas</u>. Bottled gas used in educational plant facilities.
    - 422 <u>Liquefied Petroleum Gas</u>. Liquefied petroleum gas used for student transportation.
  - Electricity.
  - 440 Heating Oil.
  - 450 Gasoline.
  - 460 Diesel Fuel.
  - 490 Other Energy Services.
- Materials and Supplies. Amounts paid for items of an expendable nature that are consumed, worn out, or deteriorated in use, or items that lose their identity through fabrication or incorporation into different or more complex units or substances.
  - 510 <u>Supplies.</u> Expenditures for consumable supplies for the operation of a school system, including freight. Examples include expenditures for instructional, custodial, and maintenance supplies.
  - 520 <u>Textbooks</u>. Expenditures for textbooks furnished free by school districts, including freight (Section 1006.40, F.S.). This category also includes the costs of electronic media (e-books), workbooks, textbook binding or repair, and text-related materials.
  - 530 <u>Periodicals</u>. Expenditures for all periodicals and newspapers. A periodical is any publication (paper or electronic) appearing at regular intervals of less than a year and continuing for an indefinite period.
  - 540 Oil and Grease. Expenditures for oil and grease for all types of motor vehicles.
  - Repair Parts. Expenditures for repair parts, antifreeze, and supplies used in school district-owned vehicles used for student transportation or otherwise, with the exception of gas, oil, grease, gear lubricants, tires, and tubes.

- Tires and Tubes. Expenditures for tire and tube replacement, including recapping. If labor is performed in a school district-operated garage, costs should be recorded under salaries.
- 570 <u>Food</u>. Expenditures for food purchases or the market value of USDA-donated commodities for use in the food service program (for school districts opting to use a single inventory system as allowed by USDA). Food or food products used in instructional programs should be charged to materials and supplies (Object 510).
- 580 <u>Commodities.</u> Market value of USDA-donated commodities (for school districts opting not to use a single inventory system as allowed by USDA).
- 590 <u>Other Materials and Supplies</u>. Expenditures for all other supplies and materials not included above.
- 600 <u>Capital Outlay</u>. Expenditures for the acquisition of capital assets or additions to capital assets. These are expenditures for land or existing buildings, improvements to grounds, construction of buildings, additions to buildings, remodeling of buildings, initial equipment, new and replacement equipment, and software.
  - 610 <u>Library Books</u>. Expenditures for noncapitalized regular or incidental purchases of school library books (hard copy or electronic) available for general use by students, including any reference books, even though such reference books may be used solely in the classroom. Costs of freight for school library books are included.
  - Audiovisual (AV) Materials (Nonconsumable). Expenditures for nonconsumable materials such as film, filmstrips, recordings, exhibits, charts, maps, and globes, regardless of cost, are charged to this account.
    - 621 Capitalized AV Materials.
    - Noncapitalized AV Materials.
  - Buildings and Fixed Equipment. All expenditures to acquire existing buildings or to construct new buildings and additions. Construction costs of buildings and additions consist of all expenditures for general construction; advertisements for contracts; payments on contracts for construction; installation of plumbing, heating, lighting, ventilating, and electrical systems; built-in lockers; elevators; architectural and engineering services; travel expenditures incurred in connection with construction; paint and other interior and exterior decorating; and any other costs connected with planning and construction of buildings or additions to buildings. (Additions to buildings extend the floor area, while remodeling or improvements usually take place within the existing floor area).
  - 640 <u>Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment</u>. Expenditures for initial or additional items of equipment such as furniture, furnishings, machinery, and portable bleachers that are not integral parts of the building or building service systems.

Included in this category is computer hardware, which is a digital, electronic device capable of reading, processing, and executing software programs designed for administrative and instructional uses. Also included are tablets, e-readers, and other portable devices. The term "computer" refers to not only the main processing unit, but also expansion cards, upgrade devices, and peripherals such as: operating

system software (ROM-based), installable memory, processor upgrades, video boards, sound cards, network connectivity boards or cards, other expansion and upgrade devices, monitors, printers, scanners, internal and external hard drives, CD-ROM drives, plotters, modems, computer projection devices, adaptive hardware, and other peripherals that attach to the main unit.

- 641 <u>Capitalized Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment.</u>
- Noncapitalized Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment.
- 643 <u>Capitalized Computer Hardware</u>.
- Noncapitalized Computer Hardware.
- Motor Vehicles. Expenditures for all types of motor vehicles. Buses are motor vehicles regularly used for the transportation of public school students to and from school or to and from school activities, except motor vehicles of the type commonly called "pleasure cars" and that carry eight students or fewer (see Section 1006.25, F.S.).
  - Buses. Note: Buses purchased with Local Capital Improvement revenue should be recorded in the capital projects fund. All other bus purchases should be recorded in the general fund.
  - Other Motor Vehicles.
- 660 <u>Land</u>. Expenditures for the purchase of any land by the school district and any ancillary charges to prepare the land for its intended use. Examples of ancillary charges include rights of way, site preparation, attorney fees, and professional fees.
- Improvements Other Than Buildings. Construction costs of permanent improvements and additions, other than buildings and additions, consisting of all expenditures for general construction, advertisements of contracts, payments, or construction. Examples of such improvements are excavation, fill dirt, grading, utility installation, sod, shrubs, fences, retaining walls, sidewalks, sewage treatment systems, original or expanded paving projects, the initial purchase of fixed playground equipment, flagpoles, gateways, and underground storage tanks that are not part of the building service systems. If the improvements are purchased or constructed, the purchase or contract price and related costs should be recorded. If improvements are obtained by gifts, the fair market value at time of acquisition should be recorded. Include under this classification permanent bleachers requiring footings or foundations, and swimming pools, including the necessary filtering and plumbing equipment.
  - Capitalized Improvements Other Than Buildings. Fixed assets recorded in capital assets, Account 1320, Improvements Other Than Buildings. Examples include sidewalks, parking lots, driveways, retaining walls, sewage treatment plants, fences, underground storage tanks, and fixed playground equipment.
  - Noncapitalized Improvements Other Than Buildings. Fixed assets recorded in capital assets, Account 1315, Land Improvements –

Nondepreciable. Examples include excavation, fill, grading, utility installation, and landscaping demolition.

- Remodeling and Renovations. Expenditures for major permanent structural alterations and the initial installation of heating and ventilating systems, electrical systems, plumbing systems, fire protection systems, and other service systems in existing buildings are renovations that should be capitalized. Installation of replacement systems should be capitalized, and the replaced systems should be removed from the accounting records. Remodeling projects should be capitalized. Remodeling or improvement of buildings usually takes place within the existing floor area, while a building addition extends the floor area. See Section 1013.01(17) and (18), F.S. Repairs to buildings and service systems are classified under Function 8100, Maintenance of Plant.
  - Capitalized Remodeling and Renovations. Fixed assets recorded in capital assets, Account 1330, Buildings and Fixed Equipment. Examples include permanent structures, relocatables, modular/fixed furniture, sprinkler systems, electrical systems, water systems, heating/cooling/air circulation, and roofing.
  - Noncapitalized Remodeling and Renovations. Remodeling and renovation purchases that will not be capitalized.
- 690 Computer Software. The set of programs and associated documentation used to control the operation of a computer. The two primary types of software are 1) systems software, which includes operating systems, programming languages, and utility programs; and 2) application programs that are designed to perform tasks such as database management, spreadsheet functions, instruction, and word processing. Generally, when software is acquired with computer hardware for a single purchase price and the relative value of the software is material to the total cost, it is necessary to allocate the acquisition cost to both the software and hardware in accordance with GAAP for lump-sum or basket purchases. However, systems software acquired in conjunction with computer hardware may be recorded as part of the equipment purchase (no allocation of cost to the software) when the software will not be removed, transferred, or in any way separated from the original hardware. In the event that software that was originally recorded as equipment is subsequently removed, transferred, or detached from the original hardware, it would be necessary to retroactively allocate a portion of the original cost, if material, to the software for proper recording of the removal or transfer. See Object 360 for annual license expenditures.

Included with computer software is enterprise resource software, which consists of programs and applications used district-wide for administration of the school district or used to comply with state-mandated reporting requirements. Such software includes software used district-wide to account and coordinate for resources and information related to items such as financial data, human resource information, and student and asset records, but does not include instructional software. This software must be classified as a capital asset in accordance with GASB Statement 51, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets, and have a useful life of at least five years.

#### 691 Capitalized Software.

## 692 <u>Noncapitalized Software</u>.

- 700 Other. Amounts paid for goods and services not previously classified. This includes expenditures for the retirement of debt, the payment of interest on debt, judgments against the school system, and the payment of dues and fees.
  - 710 <u>Redemption of Principal</u>. Expenditures from current funds for the retirement of obligations.
  - 720 <u>Interest</u>. Expenditures from current funds for interest on liabilities and obligations. Also included is the amortization of the net carrying amount of debt refunding.
  - Dues and Fees. Expenditures for dues and fees include dues paid to professional organizations as determined by district school board policies and procedures. Also included are tuition fees for employee training activities, administration fees paid to other organizations, fees relative to the issuance or service of debt, amortization of prepaid insurance costs associated with the issuance of debt, loan origination fees, initial direct costs of operating leases, and commissions for collection of taxes.
  - Judgments/Settlement of Litigation Against School System. Expenditures from current funds for all judgments (except as indicated) against the school system that are not covered by insurance. Judgments against the school system resulting from failure to pay bills or debt service are recorded under the appropriate expenditure accounts as though the bills or debt service had been paid when due. Settlements of litigation should also be recorded in this account.
  - Other Personal Services. Salaries paid to persons (including substitute teachers not under written contract) on temporary appointment. These services may be in lieu of those rendered by an absent regular employee or for the creation of temporary additional capacity as authorized by the district school board. The annual budget should anticipate the payment of such compensation. Payments made from these funds are not subject to retirement deductions (see definition of "temporary position" for retirement purposes in Rule 60S-1.004(5), F.A.C.); however, federal income tax must be withheld in accordance with the withholding tables. Other Personal Services may be budgeted in any area of responsibility.
  - Payments to Refunding Escrow Agent. Payments escrowed pursuant to refunding contract.
    - 761 Payments to Refunded Bonds Escrow Agent.
    - Payments to Refunded Lease-Purchase Agreements Escrow Agent.
  - 770 <u>Claims</u>. Expenditures by Internal Service Fund to settle claims of participating funds or agencies.
  - Depreciation and Amortization Expense. The portion of the cost of a capital asset that is charged to expense during a particular period. See balance sheet accounts 1329, 1339, 1349, 1359, 1379, 1388, and 1389.
  - Miscellaneous. Expenditures that cannot be assigned to any other category should be charged to this account. Included are the expenditures for Federal Indirect Cost

for projects, which should be assigned to Function 7200, General Administration, and for Food Service Indirect Cost, which is assigned to Function 7600, Food Services.

- 810 <u>Loss on Disposition of Assets</u>. The excess of the carrying value of the disposed assets over the financial inflows generated from the disposition of assets.
- 890 <u>Discount on Long-term Debt</u>. The amount of discount required in connection with the issuance of long-term debt. After conversion of the discount for government-wide financial statement presentation, the unamortized discount is netted with the liability. The amortization of the discount increases interest expense.
  - Discount on Sale of Bonds.
  - 892 <u>Discount on Refunding Bonds.</u>
  - 893 <u>Discount on Lease-Purchase Agreements.</u>
  - Discount on Refunding Lease-Purchase Agreements.
- 900 <u>Transfers</u>. Nonreciprocal interfund activity represented by disbursement of cash or goods from one fund within the school district to another fund without an equivalent return and without a requirement for repayment.
  - 910 <u>Transfers to the General Fund</u>. Amounts disbursed to the general fund with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - <u>Transfers to Debt Service Funds</u>. Amounts disbursed to debt service funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 930 <u>Transfers to Capital Projects Funds</u>. Amounts disbursed to capital projects funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - Transfers to Special Revenue Funds. Amounts disbursed to special revenue funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 950 <u>Interfund Transfers</u>. Amounts disbursed to a fund within the same fund type with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - <u>Transfers to Permanent Funds.</u> Amounts disbursed to permanent funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 970 <u>Transfers to Internal Service Funds</u>. Amounts disbursed to internal service funds with no return or requirement for repayment.
  - 990 <u>Transfers to Enterprise Funds</u>. Amounts disbursed to enterprise funds with no return or requirement for repayment.

# **FUNCTION**

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Function classifications indicate the overall purpose or objective of an expenditure. Functions are group-related activities aimed at accomplishing a major service or regulatory responsibility. The activities of a local school system are classified into five broad areas: Instruction, Instructional Support, General Support, Community Services, and Nonprogram Charges (Debt Service and Transfers). The four-character field required for function codes does not currently specify the third and fourth characters. The subfunction codes presently identified for 6100 and 7700 are recommended but not required.

The following expenditures should be classified by function as indicated below:

Employee Benefits	<u>Function</u>
Employee Health Life and Accident	Identify or allocate to employee function on basis that reflects cost incidence.
Cafeteria Benefits	Identify or allocate to employee function on basis that reflects cost incidence.
Workers' Compensation	Identify or allocate to employee function (see p. 4-6) on basis that reflects cost incidence.
Unemployment Compensation	Identify or allocate to employee function (see p. 4-6) on basis that reflects cost incidence. If immaterial, the expenditure may be charged to Function 7100.
Insurance	
Property	Function 7900
Boiler	Function 7900
Casualty (General Liability & Automobile)	Function 7900
Casualty – Student Transportation	Function 7800

Function 7100

<u>Code</u> <u>Description</u>

Instruction. Instruction includes the activities dealing directly with the teaching of students, or the interaction between teacher and students. Teaching may be provided for students in a school classroom, in another location such as a home or hospital, or in other learning environments such as those involving cocurricular activities. It may also be provided through some other approved medium such as television, radio, computer, the Internet, multimedia, telephone, or correspondence. This function includes the activities of paraprofessionals or assistants of any type who assist in the instructional process. Student transportation costs, including trips for curricular or cocurricular activities, should be coded to Function 7800.

- Basic (FEFP K-12). The Basic Program is that part of the district school board's full-time equivalent (FTE) instructional program that is not identified as Special Programs for Exceptional Students, Career Education, or Adult General Education. Programs for Students at Risk and English for Speakers of Other Languages are included in this function.
- 5200 <u>Exceptional</u>. Programs for exceptional student education (ESE) are determined by law. Criteria for each program are specified by SBE rules. This function includes Pre-K ESE.
- Career Education. Career Education programs are established by law, with program criteria established through SBE rules. This function includes 9-12 career education, adult vocational education, and continuing workforce development. It also includes continuing workforce education expenditures related to the course fees collected and reported under Account 3463, Continuing Workforce Education Course Fees.
- 5400 <u>Adult General</u>. All Adult General course offerings, including GED courses and testing.
- 5500 <u>Prekindergarten</u>. Prekindergarten program expenditures, including VPK. Childcare programs, if fee supported, should be coded to Function 9100. Project or cost center accounting may be needed for such programs in order to capture support costs.
- 5900 Other Instruction. Other instruction not qualifying for FEFP funding, such as instruction provided in recreation and leisure courses, Lifelong Learning programs, or Adults with Disabilities programs.
- Instructional Support Services. Provides administrative, technical (such as guidance and health), and logistical support to facilitate and enhance instruction. Instructional Support Services exist as adjuncts for the fulfillment of the behavioral objectives of the instruction functions, rather than as separate entities. Although some supplies and operational costs are generated in instructional support, the major cost will be in personnel.
  - 6100 <u>Student Personnel Services</u>. Activities that are designed to assess and improve the well-being of students and to supplement the teaching process. These activities are classifiable under the following subfunctions:
    - 6110 <u>Attendance and Social Work.</u> Pertains to promoting and improving attendance of students. It includes early identification of patterns of nonattendance, promotion of positive student and parent attitudes toward

attendance, analysis of reasons for nonattendance, and enforcement of compulsory attendance.

- Guidance Services. Pertains to helping students assess and understand their abilities, aptitudes, interests, environmental factors, and educational needs; develop their understanding of educational and career opportunities; and optimize educational and career opportunities through the formulation of realistic goals. It includes counseling students and parents, evaluating the abilities of students, helping students make their own educational and career plans and choices, assisting students in making personal and social adjustments, and working with other staff members to plan and conduct guidance services.
- 6130 <u>Health Services</u>. Pertains to physical and mental health services that are not direct instruction. This function includes activities such as providing students with appropriate medical, school clinic, dental, psychiatric, and nurse services.
- Psychological Services. This area includes the professional services of a psychologist for student test analysis and mental diagnosis. This function pertains to supplementing the school system's reservoir of information identifying the individuality, capacities, achievements, interests, and needs of each student; studying individual students who are experiencing acute problems of educational development in order to furnish diagnostic information; and suggesting programs concerning the psychological aspects of these problems.
- 6150 <u>Parental Involvement</u>. This function primarily relates to federal projects that require parent participation as a requirement of the grant.
- 6190 Other Student Personnel Services. Student personnel services not classified elsewhere in 6100 subfunctions. This would include positions such as diagnostic and child find specialists. In preparing the program cost report, these specialists should be identified with appropriate FEFP programs through the use of school/program tables.
- Instructional Media Services. Activities concerned with directing, managing, and supervising educational media services, as well as such activities as selecting, acquiring, preparing, cataloging, and circulating books and other printed materials; planning for the use of the library by students, teachers, and other members of the instructional staff; and guiding individuals in their use of library books, reference guides and materials, catalog materials, special collections, and other materials, whether maintained separately or as a part of an instructional materials center. These activities include developing and acquiring library materials and operating library facilities. Textbooks are not charged to this function, but rather to the instruction function. This includes printed and nonprinted sensory materials, school media centers (school libraries), and central media center operations. Routine repair and maintenance of audiovisual equipment should be coded to this function.
- 6300 <u>Instruction and Curriculum Development Services</u>. Activities designed to aid teachers in developing the curriculum, preparing and using special curriculum materials, and understanding and appreciating the various techniques that stimulate and motivate students. Included in this function are the following instructional

support specialists: primary, technology, learning resource, and behavioral. In preparing the program cost report, these specialists should be identified with appropriate FEFP programs through use of school/program tables.

- Instructional Staff Training Services. Activities designed to contribute to the professional or occupational growth and competence of members of the instructional staff (defined in Rules 6A-1.0502, F.A.C., Non-certificated Instructional Personnel, and 6A-1.0503, F.A.C., Definition of Qualified Instructional Personnel) during the time of their service to the district school board or school. Among these activities are workshops, demonstrations, school visits, courses for college credits, sabbatical leave, and travel leave. All in-service training costs should be recorded in this function and Function 7730 (Noninstructional). Hiring substitute teachers to cover classes of teachers participating in training is a cost of in-service training and should be coded to Function 6400. Paraprofessional training should be coded to Function 7730.
- Instructional-Related Technology. Technology activities and services for the purpose of supporting instruction. These activities include expenditures for internal technology support as well as support provided by external vendors using operating funds. These activities include costs associated with the administration and supervision of technology personnel, systems planning and analysis, systems application development, systems operation, network support services, hardware maintenance and support services, and technology-related costs that relate to the support of instructional activities. Specifically, costs associated with the operation and support of computer learning labs, media center computer labs, instructional technology centers, instructional networks, and similar operations should be captured under this code.
- 7000 <u>General Support Services</u>. Activities concerned with establishing policy, operating schools and the school system, and providing the essential facilities and services for the staff and students.
  - 7100 <u>Board</u>. Consists of the activities of the elected or appointed body that has been created according to state law and vested with responsibilities for educational activities in a given administrative unit. Also included are expenditures of the board attorney and expenditures for other legal services, independent auditors, internal auditors who report directly to the district school board, negotiators, and lobbyists.
  - General Administration (Superintendent's Office). Activities performed by the superintendent and assistant superintendents in the general direction and management of all affairs of the school system. This includes all personnel and materials in the office of the superintendent. Activities of the offices of the deputy superintendent and associate or assistant superintendents should be charged here unless they can be placed properly into another function.
  - School Administration (Office of the Principal). Activities concerned with directing and managing the operation of a particular school. This function includes the activities performed by the principal, assistant principal, and other assistants in the general supervision of all operations of the school, evaluations of staff members of the school, assignment of duties to staff members, supervision and maintenance of the records of the school, and coordination of school instructional activities with the instructional activities of the school system. It includes clerical staff for these activities and bookkeeping associated with processing time reports for Title I

personnel working additional hours in Title I, Part A, School Improvement Grant programs.

- 7400 <u>Facilities Acquisition and Construction</u>. Activities concerned with the acquisition of land and buildings, remodeling buildings, construction of buildings and additions, initial installation or extension of service systems and other built-in equipment, and improvements to sites. This function is not limited to purchases made with capital funds.
  - 7410 <u>Facilities Acquisition and Construction Current Expenditures.</u>
  - 7420 Facilities Acquisition and Construction Capital Outlay.
- 7500 <u>Fiscal Services</u>. Activities concerned with the fiscal operation of the school system. This function includes budgeting, receiving and disbursing cash, financial accounting, payroll, inventory control, internal auditing, and investments and funds management. Internal audit staff who do not report to the district school board should be included in this function. Independent auditors or auditors who report directly to the district school board should be coded to Function 7100.
- Food Services. Activities concerned with providing food to students and staff in a school or school system. This function includes the preparation and service of regular and incidental meals, lunches, and snacks in connection with school activities and the delivery of food. Food purchased and served outside the school district's defined food services program must be charged as a purchased service of the applicable function.
- 7700 <u>Central Services</u>. Activities, other than general administration, that support the other instructional and supporting services programs. These activities are defined in the following subfunctions:
  - Planning, Research, Development, and Evaluation Services. System-wide activities associated with conducting and managing programs of planning, research, development, and evaluation. Planning services include selecting or identifying overall, long-range goals and priorities. Research services include the systematic study of the various aspects of education. Development services include the deliberate, evolving process of improving educational programs. Evaluation services judge an outcome based on established goals.
  - Information Services. Activities concerned with writing, editing, and other preparation necessary to disseminate educational and administrative information to students, staff, managers, or the general public through direct mailing, the various news media, e-mail, the Internet, and personal contact.
  - Personnel Services. Activities concerned with maintaining efficient personnel for the school district, including such activities as supervision, recruitment and placement, staff transfers, maintenance of personnel information, health services, and position control. Health services are medical services provided for school district employees, including physical examinations and emergency care. In-service training, including seminars, conferences, continuing professional education, tuition

reimbursement, and other activities related to the ongoing growth and development of noninstructional personnel, must be recorded as a cost of this function.

- 7740 <u>Statistical Services</u>. Activities concerned with manipulating, relating, and describing statistical information.
- 7760 <u>Internal Services</u>. Activities concerned with purchasing, receiving, storing, and distributing supplies, furniture, and equipment; duplicating and printing for the district school board; and mail room and courier services.

## 7790 Other Central Services.

- Student Transportation Services. Activities associated with the transportation of students to and from school activities, either between home and school, from school to school, or on trips for curricular or cocurricular activities. Expenditures for the administration of student transportation services are recorded under these accounts, together with other student transportation service expenditures. Transportation expenditures not related to student transportation services should be reported in the function related to the purpose of the expenditure.
- Operation of Plant. Activities concerned with keeping the physical plant open and ready for use. Major components of this function are utilities, including telephone service, custodial costs, building rent, and insurance costs associated with school buildings. This function includes cleaning, disinfecting, HVAC, moving furniture, routine maintenance of grounds, providing school crossing guards, security, and other such activities that are performed on a daily, weekly, monthly, or seasonal basis. Operation of plant does not encompass repairs and replacements of facilities and equipment. Tasks of custodians should be charged to this function, unless they can be coded appropriately to another function.
- Maintenance of Plant. Activities that are concerned with maintaining the grounds, buildings, and equipment at an acceptable level of efficiency through repairs or preventive maintenance.

**NOTE:** Equipment repair services that are direct costs of specific programs within the FEFP shall be charged to the function of Instruction (Function 5000) when the amount of such services is material in relation to the cost of the programs. Equipment repair services rendered for the functions of Food Services (Function 7600) and Student Transportation Services (Function 7800) are to be charged to these functions. Routine maintenance of audiovisual equipment should be charged to Instructional Media Services (Function 6200). All other equipment repairs may be charged to Function 8100. If the maintenance labor force is used to construct facilities, the cost should be reclassified to Function 7400.

Administrative Technology Services. Activities concerned with supporting the school district's information technology systems, including supporting administrative networks, maintaining administrative information systems, and processing data for administrative and managerial purposes. These activities include expenditures for internal technology support, as well as support provided by external vendors using operating funds. These activities include costs associated with the administration and supervision of technology personnel, systems planning

and analysis, systems application development, systems operations, network support services, hardware maintenance and support services, and other technology-related administrative costs.

- Ommunity Services. Community Services consist of those activities that are not related to providing education for students in a school system. These include services provided by the school system for the community as a whole or some segment of the community, such as community recreation programs, civic activities, public libraries, programs of custody and care of children, financial aid, and community welfare activities. This function does not include instructional programs. Fee-supported instructional programs should be coded to Function 5500.
- 9200 <u>Debt Service</u>. To record *expenditures* related to the issuance and retirement of debt, including issuance fees, principal and interest payments, and other debt-related expenditures.
  - 9299 <u>Issuance Discounts and Payments to Escrow Agent</u>. To record *other financing uses* associated with the original issuance and refunding of debt.
- 9700 <u>Transfers</u>. Nonreciprocal interfund activity represented by disbursement of cash or goods from one fund within the school district to another fund without an equivalent return and without a requirement for repayment.
- 9900 <u>Proprietary Expenses</u>. To record the operating expenses of the Enterprise and Internal Service Funds.

## **FACILITY**

Florida law requires financial reporting on a school basis. According to Section 1003.01(2), F.S., a school is defined as "... an organization of students for instructional purposes on an elementary, middle or junior high school, secondary or high school, or other public school level authorized under rules of the State Board of Education." In many instances, "facility" is synonymous with "school." Accounting for the financial transactions of a school district will require the identification of a number of facilities or cost centers that are not schools; however, the operating costs associated with such centers will be attributed to schools on program cost reports. The four-digit numbers for schools are assigned by the DOE. Administrative departments are designated by the 9000 series of numbers.

## **PROGRAM**

Section 1010.20, F.S., requires program cost reporting. This reporting is to be accomplished as described in Chapter Five of this manual.

## FISCAL YEAR

Fiscal year denotes a 12-month period of time to which the annual budget applies and at the end of which a school system determines its financial position and the results of its operations.

#### **GRANT**

Grant numbers are assigned by the DOE to control reporting of expenditures for state and federal grants. This is a five-character reporting field. School districts may elect to crosswalk from a locally designed code structure.

#### PROJECT/REPORTING

This dimension is used to account for expenditures on specific projects funded through grants and to account for construction projects. This is a five-character field. School districts may elect to crosswalk from a locally designed code structure.

**NOTE:** The expenditure of money received and recorded under revenue Account 3344, District Discretionary Lottery Funds, shall be recorded and reported using code structures for Grant and Project/Reporting. Public educational programs and purposes funded by the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund may include, but are not limited to, endowment, scholarship, matching funds, direct grants, research and economic development related to education, salary enhancement, contracts with independent institutions to conduct programs consistent with the state master plan for postsecondary education, or any other educational program or purpose deemed desirable by the Legislature. Prior to the expenditure of these funds, each school district shall establish policies and procedures that define "enhancement" and the types of expenditures consistent with that definition.

## Chapter 5

# **Program Cost Accounting and Reporting**

Section 1010.20, F.S., requires program cost accounting and reporting on a school-by-school basis.

Cost reporting has two central elements:

- 1. Identification of direct program costs and aggregation of these costs by program, and
- 2. Attribution of indirect costs to programs on an appropriate basis.

Program costing is not accomplished solely by the day-to-day transactions as recorded on the school district's accounting records. In fact, such a transaction-based system is difficult and expensive to manage since many transactions involve more than one program and the attributed indirect costs would have to be adjusted several times during the fiscal year. Effective budgetary control, an essential component of the accounting system, becomes an increasingly complex matter under such a system. This is particularly true in Florida, where statutes direct that expenditures of funded programs be accounted for on a school-by-school and a district-aggregate basis. Exceptional education program funding follows the student into all classes, not just special education classes. Students identified as needing English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) programming are generally taught in basic program-funded classes (which also may include exceptional education students). The financial accounting system provides the foundation for program costing; however, this system precludes capturing all funding and costs at the program level. At the time program costs are prepared, certain cost accounting procedures must be applied to the amounts produced by the financial accounting system. These procedures are applied on a systematic basis and are documented for audit trail purposes. The following sections detail Florida's program cost reporting procedures.

#### COSTS TO BE REPORTED

With the exception of capital object expenditures for land, land improvements, buildings and fixed equipment, and remodeling/renovations, ALL Function 5000-8200 expenditures from the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds will be included in program costs (except Functions 5500 and 5900). Separate cost reports for the General Fund and the Special Revenue Funds must be prepared for each school.

Each set of school reports is aggregated to produce reports for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds. The aggregate reports include the following items, which should be reconciled to the annual financial report expenditure totals from the General and Special Revenue Funds:

Recreation & Enrichment Programs Other Specified Programs Nonprogram Capital Expenditures Community Services (Function 9100) Debt Service (Function 9200)

Food and student transportation service costs are reported on a school-by-school basis, but not attributed as costs of programs. On the other hand, charter school distributions are not attributed to traditional schools and should be reported as reconciling items on the program cost report.

## **COST ELEMENTS**

Cost reporting elements include direct and indirect costs. Direct costs are classified into major objects. Indirect costs are classified as school-level or district-level. Rule 6A-1.014, F.A.C., distinguishes costs as

school-level or district-level. The distinction is made with regard to the nature of the cost, rather than the cost center to which the expenditure is charged.

The major objects of direct costs are:

Salaries (Object 100 as defined in the Red Book)

Employee Benefits (Object 200)

Purchased Services (Purchased Services, Object 300; and Energy Services, Object 400, excluding charter school distributions)

Materials and Supplies (Object 500)

Other (Object 700)

Capital Outlay (Object 600, except Buildings and Fixed Equipment (630), Land (660), Improvements Other Than Buildings (670), and Remodeling and Renovations (680))

Direct costs of programs are those costs identified with Function 5000 (Instruction), except costs under Functions 5500 (Prekindergarten) and 5900 (Other Instruction) and charter school distributions.

Direct salaries and benefits are the largest cost elements to be considered in program costing. In those instances in which a teacher serves more than one program, it is necessary to divide the total salary accurately among programs. This requires examining the teacher's schedule relative to the time devoted to teaching each program. The time structure of a teacher's schedule may vary from the traditional five or six periods of a secondary school to the daylong schedule of an elementary school teacher. The computer software provided by the DOE for program cost reporting examines a teacher's schedule from student database records and equates reported class periods with time modules. Whether determined manually or through the computer programming, the following procedure is followed:

- 1. Determine the number of class periods or instructional modules for each instructor.
- 2. Divide the instructor's salary by the number of class periods or modules.
- 3. Calculate the salary for each program as the product of the number of time modules in each of the designated programs and the time module salary.
- 4. In addition, if there are students from two grade groups (for example, 4-8 and 9-12), or two programs within a time module, it is necessary to split the time module salary accordingly. Examples include Basic Program students and Basic Program students with ESE services, and Basic Program students and ESOL students.

Example: Consider a teacher earning \$50,000 with the following time schedule and Basic Program student load:

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Time		Basic with		
Module/Period	Grade(s) Taught	Basic	<b>ESE Services</b>	<b>ESOL</b>
1	10th	20	0	0
2	10th	19	0	0
3	10th & 11th	15	5	0
4	10th	16	5	4
5	11th	16	5	4

Excluding any planning period and using five instructional modules, \$10,000 will be assigned to each student contact period or time module ( $$50,000 \div 5$ ).

Periods 1 and 2 are devoted to Basic Program students in the Grades 9-12 program. Therefore, \$20,000 of the teacher's salary is allocated to that FEFP program. Periods 3, 4, and 5 are allocated to FEFP programs based on the number of students in each period relative to the total number of students in each period.

Salaries determined by this methodology in this illustration are as follows:

Period	<b>Basic 9-12</b>	Basic 9-12, ESE	<b>ESOL</b>
1	\$10,000		
2	\$10,000		
3	\$7,500	\$2,500	
4	\$6,400	\$2,000	\$1,600
5	\$6,400	\$2,000	\$1,600

This information will also be used to determine FTE staff positions for the staff attribution schedule. Indirect costs are attributed on three bases: staff (number of teachers), FTE students, and time/space. For this purpose, FTE teachers by program are determined concurrently with salaries by program and expressed as FTE positions.

The Program Cost Reporting System attributes salaries to programs and computes the FTE staff positions by program when assignment data by time module, annual salary data, and days worked of annual contract period are entered for each teacher. An alternative calculation using hours worked and hourly rate is provided for hourly rate teachers of Adult Education classes.

The other objects of Function 5000 are a relatively small part of total program costs. These costs may be specifically identified to particular programs or attributed on the basis of FTE teachers (staff).

Indirect costs (Functions 6100-8200) are those that cannot be readily or accurately identified with a program. For example, the custodial staff of a school cleans areas used by all programs of the school.

## **ATTRIBUTION OF COSTS**

Two bases are used for attributing indirect costs to the instructional programs as follows:

#### Staff

Cost basis that tends to increase or decrease with the number of teachers or that is otherwise more related to staff than space usage (number of FTE teachers paid from General Fund and Special Revenue Funds).

## **Time and Space**

Cost basis that varies with the amount of space used by programs.

Three bases are related to Instructional Support and General Support functions as follows:

## **FTE Students**

Food Services and Student Transportation Services (allocated to schools, not to programs).

#### Staff

Student Personnel Services, Instructional Media Services, Instruction and Curriculum Development Services, Instructional Staff Training Services, Instructional-Related Technology, Board, General Administration, School Administration, Fiscal Services, Central Services, and Administrative Technology Services.

# **Instructional Time/Space**

Operation of Plant, Maintenance of Plant, and Facilities Acquisition and Construction.

#### SOURCES OF ATTRIBUTION FACTORS

Annual FTE by school and by program will be taken from the FTE submitted to the DOE.

The staff figures are based on the FTE teachers by program. "Full-time" is defined as a teacher serving a regular teaching contract for the school year. Short courses and summer courses must be equated to the regular term. The Florida Inventory of School Houses (FISH) reports all spaces for each school. Time usage of space must be established with reference to the class schedule. School districts may use space models in which a typical program space is used for each teacher identified with the program.

## ATTRIBUTION TABLES

The attribution factors (FTE, staff, and space) of all programs constitute the overall attribution table for indirect costs. These factors provide for the attribution of indirect costs for both school-level and district-level expenditures. One attribution table is not adequate for accurate distribution of all expenditures. For example, a school district's General Fund is involved with all schools and all programs, while expenditures benefiting only certain programs (Exceptional Education) should be restricted to specified schools and programs. Thus, school/program tables are used to attribute indirect costs and to prorate certain residual direct costs. All costs must be associated with a school/program table. Five mandated tables have been established to collect the ARRA funds and Education Jobs Act funds. Tables 43100 – State Fiscal Stabilization Funds, 43200 – Targeted ARRA Stimulus Funds, 43300 – Other ARRA Stimulus Grants, 43400 – ARRA Race to the Top, and 43500 – Education Jobs Act, must be used. Each school district designates additional school/program tables needed to accurately attribute costs to its programs.

For example:

## **General Fund**

**General Fund Expenditures.** All General Fund expenditures except those specified to other tables. This table includes all schools and programs.

**Transportation Expenditures**. Exclude schools and programs not served, such as Adult Education.

**Administrative and support costs restricted to specific programs.** Exceptional Education, Career Education, Workforce Development Programs, and Basic Programs require separate tables.

#### **Special Revenue Funds**

**ARRA Expenditures.** Report on tables specified by the Commissioner of Education.

**Food Service Expenditures**. Include schools having Food Service and exclude nonparticipating programs such as Adult Education.

**Title I Expenditures**. Include only schools and programs served.

Migrant Program Expenditures. Include only schools and programs served.

Career Education Project Expenditures. Include only schools and programs served.

Adult Basic Education Project Expenditures. Include only schools and programs served.

**ESE Federal Project Expenditures.** Include only schools and programs served.

Since Special Revenue projects are generally directed to targeted schools and/or programs, a table including all schools and programs is usually not appropriate.

School districts will generally have more tables than indicated here. The number of tables will vary based on the school district's programs and the identification of programs in its accounting system.

# **SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- 1. Paraprofessionals exclusively assigned to particular programs will be identified with those programs.
- 2. Contracted services expenditures that have been handled at the district level, but which are incurred for specific programs, will be reported as direct costs for the specific programs.

For example, a district school board may have contracted for services for students reported in a physical or occupational therapy program, but because the contract was developed by the school district office, the expenditure may not have been reported as a direct program cost for ESE at schools where the services were rendered.

Contractual expenditures that are similar to the cited example will be reported as costs of the program benefited. This can be accomplished through use of special tables in the cost reporting system.

## 3. ESE Programs

- a. Students receiving exceptional education services are reported in ESE for the full day. Therefore, all teachers instructing Basic, Career Education, and At-Risk programs who have ESE students in their classes will be reported as ESE in proportion to the number of ESE students to all students in their classes (period by period).
- b. All ESE teaching personnel (team teachers, co-teachers, facilitators, consulting teachers, and lab teachers) will be reported as ESE direct costs.

## 4. Adult Education

- a. Plant Operating Costs When separate school numbers are assigned to day and evening programs conducted in the same plant, operating costs (utilities, custodial, and maintenance) will be attributed to both schools.
- b. Director of Adult Education Costs When the Director of Adult Education also performs the function of principal of an adult school, administrative costs will be split between school-level and district-level indirect categories.

## COMPUTER PROGRAMS FOR COST ACCOUNTING

The Program Cost Reporting System was developed by the DOE to accomplish the calculations required for distributing salaries to programs served, develop indirect cost attribution factors, and attribute indirect costs using these factors. The system distributes salary and develops staff and time/space factors; creates attribution tables; and using additional expenditure data, produces the required reports and supplemental cost analysis reports.

The logic of the Program Cost Reporting System is consistent with the requirements found in this chapter. Any alternative computer programming used by a school district for program cost reporting must employ the same logic for identifying direct costs by school and program and attributing costs as specified by this chapter. Alternative systems must produce edit reports that include the input data and calculated results like those produced by the state's Program Cost Reporting System.

## COST REPORTING PROCESS

Direct salaries for teachers must be determined programmatically by the process described earlier and summarized as follows: If a teacher teaches more than one time module and different programs are involved in each time module, the year-to-date salary of the teacher will be divided by the number of time modules taught and then multiplied by the percent of students in the categories within the time modules.

Direct salaries for substitute teachers (when not specifically identified with a program because of the nature of the substitute service) are to be attributed on a staff basis. Direct salaries for classroom paraprofessionals serving more than one program are to be attributed on a staff basis, if the time of service for each program is not readily determinable. Salary supplements generally will be distributed in the same manner as regular pay; however, when the supplement is not related to regular duties, a staff attribution will be used to distribute the supplement. Other salary amounts paid to teachers (conversion of sick leave on retirement and sabbatical leave) will be handled with a district-wide staff attribution.

Employee benefits are calculated by the software system based on a school district percentage of benefits paid to salaries paid.

Direct purchased services may be recorded from transactions for programs. The balance of direct purchased services, after deducting transactions identified to specific programs, is prorated on a staff basis, either through school or district proration.

Other expenditures may be recorded directly from transactions for programs. The balance of direct other expenditures, after deducting transactions identified to specific programs, is prorated on a staff basis, either through school or district proration.

Capital outlay expenditures may be recorded directly from transactions for programs. The balance of direct capital outlay, after deducting for transactions identified to specific programs, is prorated on a staff basis, either through school or district proration.

Indirect school costs are those indirect costs that are either identified to the school by transaction or are prorated to the school on an approved basis. These indirect school costs are attributed to cost programs within the school on the basis of either the number of FTE staff members in the program or the space used by the program.

Indirect district-wide costs are those indirect costs that are identified to district-wide support activities.

Indirect district-wide costs are attributed to programs within schools based either on the number of FTE staff members or space used by the programs of the school.

District indirect costs applicable to all programs are distributed to all programs. Indirect costs applicable only to one program or to a subset of programs are distributed only to those program(s) through use of a school/program table.

Food and student transportation service costs are not attributed to programs, but are displayed below program costs on each applicable school report. These costs are attributed to schools on an FTE student basis using separate school/program tables.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF ATTRIBUTION PROCESS**

Within each school/program table, attribution bases are applied to indirect cost function codes as follows:

<u>FTE</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>SPACE</u>
7600	6100	7400
7800	6200	7900
	6300	8100
	6400	
	6500	
	7100	
	7200	
	7300	
	7500	
	7700	
	8200	

Direct costs (Function 5000) that cannot be identified to specific programs are to be attributed by FTE staff.

Salaries and benefits will be directly identified to a program as described earlier in this chapter; however, salary amounts for instructional paraprofessionals (not exclusively assigned to particular programs) and substitutes, plus some supplemental salary payments as described previously, may be attributed. These small amounts not directly identified with a program are termed "residual amounts" and are direct in nature, but identification stops short of a program (school or district level). The other objects of direct costs constitute about six percent of program costs. The nature of a large portion of these items is such that direct identification to programs is impractical. Accordingly, these objects are frequently recorded in the financial accounting system only to the school level. The Program Cost Reporting System provides for attribution of these residual amounts to programs.

## **CALCULATION**

Within each school/program table, the calculation of attributed amounts is the same. The school/program table defines the schools and programs within schools for which attribution factors are to be included in the distribution of costs associated with the school/program table. Calculations for each attribution base (FTE, staff, and space) are handled identically.

- 1. <u>District-level indirect costs attributable to all schools and programs</u>. An example is Function 7100 (Board). The amount will be attributed to all programs at all schools. For each program at each school, the amount will be the product of multiplying the dollar amount of Function 7100 by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction will be the number of staff for the program at the school and the denominator will be the number of staff for all programs at all schools.
- 2. <u>District-level indirect costs attributable to a group of programs only.</u> An example is the cost of supporting the office of the Assistant Superintendent for Career Education. This cost is part of Function 7200, General Administration, but the benefit is limited to career education. This cost will be attributed only to career education programs. Accordingly, through use of a table devoted to career education programs, the cost can be distributed to each career education program at each school by a fraction in which the numerator is the number of staff in the particular career education program at that school and the denominator is the number of staff in all career education programs in the school district.

- 3. <u>District-level indirect costs attributable to a single program</u>. An example is the salary and benefits of a Program Coordinator (Function 6300) who serves only one program. This situation calls for use of a special table devoted to the program. The cost can be distributed to each school by multiplying the dollar amount by a fraction in which the numerator is the number of staff in the program at the school and the denominator is the number of staff in the program for the school district.
- 4. <u>School indirect costs recorded to school level</u>. The amount attributed to each program at a given school will be determined by the factor (staff or space, as determined by the function) for each program relative to the aggregate of that factor for all programs at the school. For example, if one teacher is employed in the ESE program of a school and there are nine other full-time teachers, then one-tenth of school indirect costs to be attributed on a staff basis will be attributed to ESE.
- 5. <u>School indirect costs recorded at district level</u>. These amounts are identified as school level per Rule 6A-1.014, F.A.C., but practicality requires recording at district level. An example of such costs is maintenance labor. These amounts are attributed in the same manner as district indirect costs, but reported as additions to school indirect. See the Program Cost Report User's Guide, Form 4A, for additional information on accurate reporting of this data.
- 6. Residual direct amounts. The nature of these items is described in the preceding section. These amounts are attributed in the same manner as district or school indirect amounts, except that the amounts are added to the particular object of direct costs.
- 7. <u>Food and student transportation services</u>. These amounts are not attributed to programs, but are based on each school's share of FTE exclusive of Adult Education programs and off-campus Career Education programs. Schools not served will be deleted from the tables needed for the functions.

## Chapter 6

#### **Internal Service Funds**

Internal service funds are established to account for any activity that provides goods or services to other funds, departments, or agencies of the primary government and its component units, or to other governments, on a cost-reimbursement basis. An internal service fund should be used only when the reporting government is the predominant participant in the activity; otherwise, the activity should be reported as an enterprise fund (GASB 34, ¶68).

As a proprietary fund, an internal service fund uses the total economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Therefore, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they are earned and expenses are recognized when incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Although GAAP do not require the use of an internal service fund, Rule 6A-1.099(2)(e), F.A.C., requires the use of an internal service fund for all educational consortia activities. The authorizing statute is Section 1001.42(14), F.S., which states that district school boards "may establish and participate in educational consortia that are designed to provide joint programs and services to cooperating school districts, consistent with the provisions of s. 4(b), Art. IX of the State Constitution."

The following principles regarding internal service funds (or enterprise funds required for self-insurance pools) apply to educational consortia:

- 1. All monies received by a consortium shall be deposited to the official accounts of the host school district (recipient agency) and shall be separately accounted for in an internal service fund.
- 2. All transactions for the consortium shall be recorded in the proper account within the fund. Projects submitted on behalf of the consortium shall be recorded directly in the internal service fund. Revenues generated by billing to participating school districts shall be recorded directly in the internal service fund.
- 3. Expenditures for operating costs of the consortium, including any rent or service charge due the host school district's general fund, shall be charged to the fund. Contractual services performed by the consortium for the host school district shall be accounted for in the same manner as those for other consortium members (i.e., an expenditure should be charged to the general or special revenue fund of the school district receiving services and revenues credited to the internal service fund). Amounts charged by the consortium shall be sufficient to cover all costs of goods or services provided to member school districts. Records of the consortium shall be in sufficient detail to determine that member school districts receive full value of purchased goods or services. For instance, if a member school district pays \$10,000 for goods or services from the consortium, the records of the consortium shall reflect that \$10,000 of goods or services were provided to the member school district.
- 4. The disposition of unexpended cash balances at the end of each fiscal year should be by refund to the participating consortium members; however, the host school district may, with the consent of the participating members, carry forward cash balances for use in the ensuing fiscal year.
- 5. School districts that serve as the host school district for more than one consortium shall maintain separate records for each consortium.

6. A consortium should use Account 3481, Charges for Services, when revenues are recognized from member school districts. The initial receipt of money from member school districts shall be handled on the books of the host school district as deferred revenues. The participating member school district shall record disbursements to the consortium as receivables until goods or services are received. At that time, an expenditure shall be recorded on the accounts of the member school district and revenue shall be recognized on the host school district's accounts.

Contracted services and activities rendered by an educational consortium may include, but are not limited to, bidding, contracting, and purchasing arrangements to implement the following types of programs or functions:

# 1. Programs:

- a. Teacher Education Center
- b. Inservice Training for Noninstructional Personnel
- c. Federal Programs
- d. Student Testing
- e. State and Federal Mandated Programs

#### 2. Functions:

- a. Instructional Services
- b. Fiscal Services
- c. Data Processing and Management Information Services
- d. Student Personnel Services
- e. Purchasing
- f. Printing
- g. Media Center

Any other services to member school districts deemed necessary by the board of directors of the consortium may also be rendered.

Additional information regarding the account structure necessary to record the activity described above can be found in Chapters 2, 3, and 4 of this manual.

## Chapter 7

## **Fiduciary Funds**

Fiduciary funds should be used to report assets held in trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore cannot be used to support the government's own programs. Fiduciary funds should be reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, except for the recognition of certain liabilities of defined benefit pension plans and certain post-employment healthcare plans (GASB 34, ¶107). GASB 34 specifically excludes fiduciary funds from presentation in the government-wide financial statements, but requires fiduciary fund financial statements to be reported by fund type.

GASB 34 identifies fiduciary funds as pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds, and agency funds.

Trust funds are used to report resources held and administered by the reporting government when it is acting in a fiduciary capacity for individuals, private organizations, or other governments. Trust funds are distinguished from agency funds generally by the existence of a trust agreement that affects the degree of management involvement and the length of time that the resources are held (GASB 34, ¶69).

<u>Pension (and Other Employee Benefit) Trust Funds</u> should be used to report resources that are required to be held in trust for the members and beneficiaries of defined benefit pension plans, defined contribution plans, OPEB plans, or other employee benefit plans (GASB 34, ¶70).

<u>Investment Trust Funds</u> should be used to report the external portion of investment pools reported by the school district (GASB 34, ¶71).

<u>Private-Purpose Trust Funds</u> should be used to report all other trust arrangements under which principal and/or income benefits individuals, private organizations, or other governments. Scholarship trust funds should be classified as private-purpose trusts (GASB 34, ¶72).

Agency Funds should be used to report resources held by the school district in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities). Agency funds typically involve only the receipt, temporary investment, and remittance of fiduciary resources to individuals, private organizations, or other governments (GASB 34, ¶73). School Internal Funds are classified as agency funds. See Chapter 8 for School Internal Funds principles and practices.

## Chapter 8

#### **School Internal Funds**

## SECTION I – PRINCIPLES

- 1. The district school board shall be responsible for the administration and control of internal funds of the district school system, and in connection therewith shall:
  - a. Adopt written rules governing the receipt and disbursement of all internal funds and for the accounting for property pursuant to Florida Statutes.
  - b. Provide for an annual audit of internal funds in accordance with Rule 6A-1.087, F.A.C.
- 2. The financial transactions of school organizations shall be accounted for in the school internal funds. All funds handled by district school board employees during normal working hours shall be included in and become part of the internal funds of the school unless accounted for in the district-level accounting system. All organizations of the school, or organizations operating in the name of the school, that obtain money from the public shall be accountable to the board for receipt and expenditure of those funds in the manner prescribed by the board. If approved by the district school board, a school-based, direct-support organization as defined under Section 1001.453, F.S., may have all financial transactions accounted for in school internal funds.
- 3. Funds collected by and used for the benefit of faculty and staff may be exempt from the preceding requirements at the option of the district school board.
- 4. School internal account funds shall be used to benefit activities authorized by the district school board.
- 5. Student participation in fundraising activities shall not be in conflict with the program as administered by the district school board.
- 6. The objective of fundraising activities by the school, by any group within the school, or in the name of the school shall not conflict with programs as administered by the district school board.
- 7. Funds collected shall be expended to benefit those students in school unless those funds are being collected for a specific documented purpose or are generated by career education production shops. Career education production revenues shall benefit the students or program that generated the funds or the student body. Those internal account funds designated for general purposes shall be used to benefit the student body.
- 8. Collecting and expending of school internal account funds shall be in accordance with the State Constitution, Florida Statutes, SBE rules, and district school board rules. Sound business practices should be observed in all transactions.
- 9. Each school organization should operate within a budget formulated by the organization members. The format of the budget shall be prescribed by the principal if not prescribed by district school board rules.

- 10. Purchases from internal accounts shall not exceed the resources of the applicable student activity/project account, except for items acquired for resale or items authorized by district school board rules. Purchases to support instructional programs may be made from career education production revenues.
- 11. An adequate system of internal controls shall be maintained in order to safeguard the assets of the school internal funds.

## SECTION II - GENERAL PRACTICES

- 1. All employees responsible for handling and recording internal funds financial transactions shall be bonded through the school district.
- 2. Purchases from internal funds must be authorized in writing by the principal or designee. Neither the school nor the district school board shall be liable for any purchase made in the name of the school without express written approval.
- 3. School district-approved, pre-numbered receipt forms shall be used as the means of recording cash received, and as the basis for entries to the accounting records.
- 4. Approved pre-numbered checks shall be used as the means for disbursing funds, and as the basis for accounting entries, with the exception of disbursements from properly established petty cash funds.
- 5. Promissory notes, installment contracts, and lease purchase agreements shall not be executed in the name of a school or any school organization except as authorized by the district school board.
- 6. Internal funds shall not be used to cash checks to accommodate individuals, make any kind of loans, pay any form of compensation directly to employees, or extend credit. Employees of the school district who are compensated for additional services, such as working at athletic events, shall be paid through the school district payroll department or, when appropriate, as prescribed by district school board rules. Designated area career centers may cash checks and make loans as necessary to administer student grant and loan programs funded by federal, state, and private sources.
- 7. Internal funds shall be accounted for on the same fiscal year basis as all other school district funds. No school organization shall make expenditures that exceed the cash resources available to that organization. All accounts payable shall be disclosed to the district school board at year end.
- 8. Bank statements shall be reconciled as soon as received, preferably by a person other than the person who receives and disburses funds.
- 9. Monthly financial reports shall be made in approved written form to provide the school's administration with financial information necessary for decision making. An annual report will provide data for inclusion of internal funds in the school district's annual financial statements.
- 10. Account balances shall be subject to limits that the district school board may prescribe.

#### SECTION III – STANDARDS, PRACTICES, AND PROCEDURES

#### 1.0 CONTROL OF CASH RESOURCES

#### 1.1 DEPOSITORIES FOR INTERNAL FUNDS

Depositories in which internal funds are kept must be qualified public depositories, approved by the district school board, and required to furnish the same type of security for deposits as is required for other district school board funds.

#### 1.2 BANK ACCOUNTS

Each school shall have only one checking account, which shall be entitled "(SCHOOL NAME) Internal Fund, The School District of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Florida," or alternative that clearly identifies the school and school district. The account title must be imprinted on all internal fund checks and deposit slips. All monies received by the school will be deposited intact as collected into this account and all disbursements will be made by checks drawn on this account. Savings or investment accounts shall be titled in the same manner. Additional checking accounts may be used by designated area career centers if required in the administration of student grant or loan programs. The name of such grant or program shall be identified in the account title.

#### 1.3 CHECK SIGNATURES

- a. Each account shall have at least two authorized check signers, one of whom must be the principal. These names shall be kept on file for audit. All checks must be signed with two signatures as prescribed by the principal if not prescribed by district school board rules.
- b. The principal is responsible for all financial transactions and proper check signatures.
- c. Under no circumstances shall checks be presigned.

#### 1.4 CASH COLLECTIONS AND DEPOSITS

- a. All money collected by the school must be substantiated by pre-numbered receipts, consecutively numbered class receipt records, reports of monies collected, pre-numbered tickets, reports of tickets issued and sold, or other auditable records.
- b. Insofar as is practicable, all money should be collected in the school office. Collections made outside of the school office must be turned in to the school office no later than the next business day.
- c. All money collected must be deposited intact to a depository as frequently as feasible and as dictated by sound business practices. IN ANY EVENT, FUNDS COLLECTED MUST BE DEPOSITED WITHIN FIVE (5) WORKING DAYS AFTER RECEIPT.
- d. All deposits must equal the total amount of money taken in and recorded on receipts for the period covered by the deposit. Deposit slips shall be made in the number of copies necessary to meet the approved accounting procedures. All checks received shall be deposited with a restrictive endorsement of "for deposit only" and specifying the account title and number.
- e. The principal or designee shall be notified immediately of any errors in deposits or disbursements and shall take appropriate corrective action.

f. All checks, receipt forms, and tickets shall be pre-numbered and perpetual inventories of each shall be maintained. Inventories shall show the beginning and ending numbers of all documents acquired and issued. For all cases in which tickets are used, ticket reports and unsold tickets must be available for audit. Any pre-numbered documents shall be accompanied by a certified statement of the numbers received.

## 1.5 INVESTMENTS

- a. The district school board shall adopt policies pertaining to the investment of school funds not needed for immediate expenditures. The adopted policies shall provide for investing or placing on deposit all such funds in order to earn the maximum possible yield under the circumstances.
- b. Internal funds that are temporarily idle shall, as required by law, be invested pursuant to policies of the district school board using any medium of investment legal for public funds, and may not exceed insurance protection or other legal collateral limits (Rule 6A-1.085, F.A.C.).

## 1.6 COLLECTION OF WORTHLESS CHECKS

- a. The principal is responsible for seeking reimbursement for any unpaid check returned by the bank.
- b. A check can be declared uncollectible and written off the books only by action of the district school board or designated officer. This action will be taken only after every legal and reasonable effort at collection by the principal has been exhausted.
- c. The school principal may require payment for school obligations in cash, money order, or other form of guaranteed payment if it is deemed necessary.

## 2.0 STUDENT ACTIVITY/PROJECTS

#### 2.1 ATHLETICS

All revenues and expenditures involving athletic business transacted at the school level shall be recorded in accounts in this classification.

## 2.2 MUSIC

- a. Proceeds from activities of musical organizations, donations to these groups, and their expenditures for supplies and trips shall be recorded in this classification.
- b. Collections from students for rental or maintenance of uniforms or instruments shall be recorded in separate accounts in this classification, or in trust if restricted as to use.

## 2.3 CLASSES, CLUBS, AND DEPARTMENTS

- a. Class and club accounts support a group of students within a community of interest with a roster of members, officers, and a sponsor. Approval for the existence of all club and class activities is the responsibility of the principal.
- b. The sponsor of each school club or organization is responsible for providing adequate financial documents and records to the principal and is responsible for retaining

duplicates of said documents and records. These records may include an organization budget; duplicate receipts for all income from dues, fundraising activities, entertainment, assessments, and donations; and approved requests for payment.

- c. All collections received by any club or school organization must be deposited in the school internal fund.
- d. All disbursements by any club or school organization must be made by an internal fund check, or from an approved petty cash fund. Disbursements shall be approved by the appropriate organization officer (when the organization has officers), the sponsor, and the principal.
- e. A financial report shall be filed with the principal's office at the close of each fundraising activity. To accommodate collection of data for this report, a separate account for the activity may be established. The organization sponsor shall participate, along with the finance clerk, in the designation of transactions to be recorded in each of the organization's accounts.
- f. Class and club monies shall be expended for the benefit of the class or club or for purposes designated by the class or club that participated in generation of the revenues.
  - 1. Any remaining balance in the account of a class that has graduated shall be transferred to the general miscellaneous account at the discretion of the principal.
  - 2. Any remaining balance in the account of an inactive student organization shall be considered as belonging to the general miscellaneous account and shall be closed at the end of the following school year.
- g. Departments may be structured similarly to classes and shall conduct financial activities subject to the above.

## 2.4 TRUST ACCOUNTS

- a. Funds collected for a specific, restricted purpose shall be accounted for in a trust account.
- b. Trust funds shall be expended only for the purpose for which collected. When the purpose of the trust fund has been accomplished or becomes inoperative, unused trust funds shall be returned to the person(s) from whom collected, if practicable. Donors may designate an alternative purpose. Funds that cannot be returned shall be handled in accordance with district school board policies.
- c. At no time shall a trust account have a deficit.
- d. If a school organization undertakes a project extending beyond the current fiscal year, or receives a restricted donation to be used over a period of time beyond the year in which received, approval must be granted in accordance with district school board rules, and the funds held in a trust account.

- e. Collections for the district school board, such as out-of-state tuition, adult matriculation and tuition fees, course fees, reimbursement for damages, or telephone charges, are trust funds. Sales tax collected for the state is also a trust account.
- f. Collections for parking decals issued by secondary schools and career centers may be restricted by the district school board as to use, and if so, should be accounted for separately in a trust account.
- g. Funds collected from students as deposits for use of locks, and restricted by the district school board as to use, shall be accounted for separately in a trust account.

#### 2.5 GENERAL

- a. This category encompasses all other accounts for funds that are to be used for the general welfare of the student body.
- b. Separate accounts shall be maintained for activities such as the school store and other activities when it is good business practice to separately monitor the financial status of the activity. Activities not accounted for separately shall be recorded in a miscellaneous account.

#### 3.0 PURCHASING

## 3.1 REQUIREMENTS

- a. The requirements pertaining to purchases and securing bids on purchases made from public tax funds shall be observed when purchases are made from internal funds, except that:
  - 1. District school board approval of internal account vouchers is not required unless specifically mandated by district school board rules.
  - 2. District school board requirements for internal funds may be stricter than requirements for tax funds (Rule 6A-1.091, F.A.C.).
- b. If possible, purchases of the same or a similar nature to be used in more than one school should be combined and purchased only after approval of the district school board (Rule 6A-1.091, F.A.C.).

## 3.2 RESPONSIBILITY

- a. The school principal is fully responsible for all purchases and purchase commitments requiring present or future disbursements of internal fund monies. A signed commitment from the principal or designee(s) must be on file before any purchase is made. Vendors shall be notified of this policy. No purchase shall be made unless sufficient resources are available, except for inventory items that will be held for resale.
- b. The district school board may delegate by rule to such individuals as it may deem appropriate the authority to make purchases from internal funds, secure quotations, and award contracts (Rule 6A-1.091, F.A.C.).

c. No person, unless authorized to do so under regulations of the district school board, may make any purchase involving the use of school funds (Rule 6A-1.012, F.A.C.).

#### 3.3 BIDS

- a. Bids shall be requested from three or more sources for any authorized purchase exceeding amounts set forth in a scale of school district sizes and purchase amounts (Rule 6A-1.012, F.A.C.).
- b. The district school board shall have authority to reject any or all bids and request new bids. The district school board shall accept the lowest and best bid (Rule 6A-1.012, F.A.C.).
- c. District school boards may establish requirements for bids that are stricter than those established under the state rule.
- d. District school boards may establish procedures requiring competitive quotations for all or selected types of purchases in amounts under the board-adopted bid limit. Such quotations shall be documented.
- e. Proposed purchases in excess of the school district bid limit must comply with bid requirements of Florida Statutes, SBE rules, and district school board rules. These will be referred to the school district purchasing department for development of specifications, bids, advertising, and processing.
- f. When the school district has a bid in effect, purchases of items covered must be made from the approved vendor unless the same item may be purchased elsewhere at a lower cost.

## 3.4 PETTY CASH

If authorized by district school board rules, petty cash funds may be established for internal funds.

## 3.5 RESTRICTED EXPENDITURES

The following expenditures from internal funds are deemed inappropriate and shall not be made except from trust funds collected for a specifically identified purpose.

- 1. Equipment, supplies, forms, and postage for curricular or classroom use for which district school board funds are available. The exception is for revenues derived from career education production shops, which may be used for these purposes.
- 2. Curricular-related travel; professional, technical, or consultant services; or other items for which district school board funds are available. The exception is for revenues derived from career education production shops, which may be used for these purposes.
- 3. Articles for the personal use of any student, employee, or other person, except those items that are identifiable as being in recognition of service or promotion of school activities and those items identified under Rule 6A-1.0143, F.A.C., Promotion and Public Relations Funding.
- 4. Personal memberships or subscriptions.

- 5. Salaries or other compensation for duties or assignments that are the responsibility of the school district.
- 6. Loans, credit, or accommodation purchases for anyone.
- 7. Repairs and maintenance of district school board equipment for which district school board funds are available. The exception is for revenues derived from career education production shops, which may be used for these purposes.

# 3.6 PROPERTY ACQUISITION AND CONTROL

- a. Tangible personal property as defined in Section 274.01, F.S., purchased or acquired by donation, becomes the property of the district school board and is subject to the board's procedures for property control.
- b. Notification to the appropriate school district office is required when items that meet the criteria for capital assets are purchased or received as a donation. A full description of any equipment or property acquired by a school must be given, including make, model, serial number, date acquired, and total cost or fair market value for donated property.
- c. Expenditures for buildings, remodeling, renovation, repairs, or alteration to the facilities, or any property involving risk, must have the prior written approval of the superintendent or designee.
- d. Approval must be obtained from the superintendent or designee to change, alter, or attach permanent fixtures to school property, or to use more than the ordinary amount of utilities.

## 4.0 GENERAL STANDARDS, PRACTICES, AND PROCEDURES

## 4.1 REPORTS

- a. The principal's financial report and any other interim reports shall be prepared and submitted according to the schedule and format prescribed in school district-adopted procedures.
- b. At the close of the school year, the school internal fund's annual financial report shall be prepared in accordance with school district procedures, and the principal and preparer shall provide a signed attestation of the report's accuracy in reflecting the year's activity and year-end balances to be included in the school district's annual financial report.

## 4.2 AUDITS

- a. The district school board shall provide for an annual audit of internal funds.
- b. In accordance with Rule 6A-1.087(2), F.A.C., the signed, written report of the audit shall include notations of any failure to comply with Florida Statutes, SBE rules, or district school board rules. The report, which must also provide commentary as to financial management and irregularities, shall be presented to the district school board while in session and filed as a part of the public record.

#### 4.3 COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES

- a. A cooperative activity is one in which the school participates with outside groups such as the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) or booster clubs through planning, staging, or conducting school-related activities. Such activities may be held on or off the school grounds and will usually take the form of fundraising events such as carnivals, paid entertainment, or food sales.
- b. Such activities must be approved by the principal and be beneficial to students. School district procedures shall be followed to provide appropriate accounting for funds and to ensure compliance with policies contained herein. If a share of the proceeds is to be disbursed to the cooperating group, a prior written agreement should be executed.

## 4.4 FUNDRAISING

- a. Each fundraising activity shall be planned to finance a specified objective.
- b. Each fundraising activity shall have the approval of the organization sponsor and the principal.
- c. The principal shall control the fundraising activities conducted in the name of the school and ensure that the purposes are worthwhile.
  - 1. Raffles and other activities of chance shall not be conducted for school-connected activities. Encouraging or permitting minors to participate in games of chance by playing or betting money or other valuable things is prohibited pursuant to Section 849.04, F.S.
  - 2. Fundraising activities for which students are charged an admission shall not be presented during school hours.
- d. When any school organization or group is involved in a fundraising activity or any function exposing the district school board to extraordinary liability, approval must be obtained in advance from the superintendent or designee.
- e. Collections for all school-sponsored fundraising activities must be deposited in the internal fund, and all transactions in connection with the activity must be conducted in accordance with district school board rules.

#### 4.5 RETENTION OF RECORDS

a. Chapters 119 and 257, F.S., provide that no public official may mutilate, destroy, sell, loan, or otherwise dispose of any public record unless under the consent of the records and information management program of the Division of Library and Information Services of the Department of State. Provided applicable audits have been released, records may be disposed of in accordance with procedures established by the records and information management program. Examples of such records for internal funds include check requisitions and documentation, canceled checks, recap of collections, journals, ledgers, financial reports, purchase orders, and serialized forms.

b. Procedures for destruction of records shall be in accordance with Chapters 119 and 257, F.S.

#### 4.6 SALES OF FOOD AND BEVERAGES

The sale of food or beverages to students by direct sale or through vending machines is governed by Rule 5P-1.003, F.A.C.

## 5.0 MODIFICATION OF CHAPTER PROVISIONS

## 5.1 CENTRALIZED ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS

School districts that use centralized accounting systems for internal funds may apply to the Commissioner of Education for modification of the policies and procedures in this chapter.

## 5.2 EMERGENCY MODIFICATIONS

School districts may apply to the Commissioner of Education for modification of the policies and procedures in this chapter. Such application shall state the specific provision herein and the emergency or reason for which relief is sought. Approval of any modification shall be valid for up to one year.

#### 5.3 CAREER CENTERS

The director of a designated area career center shall assume the duties and responsibilities assigned to the position of principal by this chapter.

## 5.4 ECONOMIC EDUCATION PROJECTS

- a. Economic education projects may be exempted from Sections I-III of this chapter at the discretion of district school boards, with the following stipulations:
  - 1. Administrative oversight continues to ensure that activities are in the best interest of the students and the school.
  - 2. Involved employees are bonded.
  - 3. Checks drawn on bank accounts are controlled so that a teacher's or sponsor's authorization is required.
  - 4. Bank statements are currently reconciled and reviewed by the principal.
- b. Economic education projects include Junior Achievement programs and similar programs that link the curriculum with appropriate economic education activities.

# **SECTION IV**

# CHART OF ACCOUNTS SCHOOL INTERNAL FUNDS

Fund Group	800	
Balance Sheet Accounts	As provided in Chapter 2	
Revenue Accounts	3900	-
Student Activity/Project	10000	Athletics
	20000	Music
	30000	Classes
	40000	Clubs
	50000	Departments
	60000	Trust
	70000	General
Expenditure Accounts		
Function	9800	
Object	As provided in Chapter 4	
Student Activity/Project	10000	Athletics
	20000	Music
	30000	Classes
	40000	Clubs

Departments

Trust

General

50000

60000 70000

#### SECTION V – SCHOOL INTERNAL FUND DEFINITIONS

This section includes definitions of terms used in this guide and additional terms necessary for the understanding of financial accounting procedures for internal funds. Internal funds are defined as all local school funds derived by any public school from all activities or sources.

<u>Account</u> – A record of financial transactions that are similar in terms of a given frame of reference, such as purpose, objective, or source.

<u>Accounting Period</u> – A period of time for which financial statements are prepared (e.g., July 1 through June 30).

Accounts Payable – Unpaid balances or invoices against an internal fund that are owed.

Accounts Receivable – Amounts owed to the internal funds.

<u>Accrual Basis</u> – Recording of revenues and expenditures at the time revenue is earned or at the time an expenditure results in a liability, regardless of when the actual cash receipt or disbursement occurs.

Asset – Something of value that is owned by an entity.

<u>Audit</u> – An examination of records and documents by an auditor in the process of securing evidence for one or more of the following purposes: 1) determining the propriety of completed transactions, 2) ascertaining whether all transactions have been recorded, and 3) determining whether transactions are accurately recorded in the accounts and in the statements drawn from the accounts.

<u>Balance</u> – The difference between the total debits and the total credits of an account, or the total of an account containing only debits or only credits.

<u>Bank Deposit</u> – The total amount of money taken in and recorded on receipts for a specified time period and deposited intact with a depository.

<u>Capital Assets</u> – Land, buildings, machinery, furniture, and other equipment that the school system intends to hold or continues to use over a long period of time.

<u>Capital Outlay</u> – Expenditures for land or existing buildings, improvement of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to buildings, remodeling of buildings, or equipment.

<u>Cash</u> – Currency, checks, postal and express money orders, and bank deposits including certificates of deposit.

<u>Cash Basis</u> – The basis of accounting under which revenues are recorded only when actually received and only cash disbursements are recorded as expenditures.

<u>Cash Discount</u> – An allowance received or given if payment is completed within a stated period. The term is not to be confused with "trade discount."

<u>Change Fund</u> – An amount of money obtained by issuing a check to a designated individual for the purpose of making change for a specific event. No expenditures are to be made from these monies.

<u>Check</u> – A written order on a bank to pay on demand a specified sum of money to a named person, to his order, or to bearer from money on deposit to the credit of the maker. The check is canceled when it has been paid by the bank and thus "cleared."

<u>Closing the Books</u> – The process of putting the account books in order at the end of a month, or a fiscal period, so that a trial balance and financial reports may be prepared.

<u>Commemorative Items</u> – Personalized articles such as class jewelry, announcements, caps and gowns, yearbooks, cards and invitations, insignia, and school pictures.

<u>Commission</u> – A share of sale proceeds from any company or individual given the school in return for the sale, rental, or promotion of any items within the school.

<u>Concession</u> – The act of granting to an individual or group a right that resides with the school.

<u>Current Assets</u> – Cash and other assets readily converted into cash, such as accounts receivable, inventory, and some prepaid expenditures.

<u>Deficit</u> – The excess of the obligations of an account over its resources.

<u>Deposit in Transit</u> – A deposit that has been transmitted to the bank and recorded in the school ledgers but not yet reflected on the monthly bank statement because it was not received before the bank's preparation of the statement.

<u>Deposit</u>, <u>Property</u> – Money collected from students and held in a school account for return at a designated time for the purpose of covering loss or damages to school-owned supply and equipment while being used by the students.

<u>Depositories</u> – Banks or savings and loan institutions where schools deposit and withdraw money.

<u>Disbursements</u> – Money paid out.

<u>Double Entry</u> – A system of bookkeeping that requires, for every entry made to the debit side of an account or accounts, an entry for the corresponding amount or amounts made to the credit side of another account or accounts.

 $\underline{\text{Dues}}$  – A regular charge made to students for the privilege of being a member of a particular club or student body organization.

<u>Encumbrance</u> – A restriction of available money by issuance of a purchase order.

<u>Equipment</u> – A material item of a nonexpendable nature, such as a built-in facility, a movable or fixed unit of furniture or furnishings, an instrument or apparatus, a machine (including attachments), instructional skill-training device, or a set of small articles whose parts are replaceable or repairable, the whole retaining its identity and utility over a period of time that is characteristic for items of its class.

<u>Expenditures</u> – Decreases in net financial resources. If accounts are kept on the accrual basis, this includes total charges incurred, whether paid or unpaid. For accounts kept on the cash basis, payments are termed "disbursements."

<u>Fidelity Bond</u> – A bond guaranteeing the district school board against losses resulting from the dishonest actions of employees.

<u>Finance Clerk</u> – Person assigned responsibilities for internal accounts bookkeeping.

<u>Financial Statement</u> – A formal written presentation that sets forth information concerning the financial condition of the school internal funds.

<u>Fiscal Period</u> – Any period at the end of which a school determines its financial condition and the results of its operations and closes its books.

<u>Fiscal Year</u> – As it pertains to internal funds, July 1 through June 30.

<u>General Ledger</u> – A book, file, or other device in which accounts are kept to the degree of detail necessary to summarize the financial transactions of the school. General ledger accounts may be kept for any group of receipts or expenditures over which an administrative officer wishes to maintain fiscal control.

<u>Gift</u> – Something of value received for which no repayment or special service to the contributor is expected.

<u>Grant</u> – Money received by a school activity for which no repayment is expected but for which certain conditions exist relative to the disbursement of funds.

<u>Inactive Account</u> – An account is considered inactive upon declaration of the principal when: 1) no financial transactions have occurred within one year and the need for the activity has passed, or 2) a class has graduated.

<u>Intact</u>, or <u>Deposit Intact</u> – The practice in which money is presented to a bank or bookkeeper for the credit of the school's internal fund in the same form as received. This means that any receipt of funds in the form of cash shall be deposited as cash. The cashing of a check from funds on hand would be a violation of this concept, as would be the substitution of a check for cash.

<u>Internal Control</u> – A plan of organization under which employees' duties are so arranged, and records and procedures so designed, as to make it possible to exercise effective accounting control over assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenditures. For example, under such a system, work is subdivided so that no single employee performs a complete cycle of operations. The procedures to be followed are definitely identified and such procedures call for proper authorizations by designated officials for all actions to be taken.

<u>Inventory</u> – The cost of supplies and equipment on hand but not yet distributed to requisitioning units.

<u>Inventory Record</u> – A detailed list or record showing quantities, descriptions, values, units of measure, and unit prices.

Investments – Temporarily idle funds placed in interest-earning accounts.

<u>Invoice</u> – A vendor's notification of merchandise provided or services rendered to a purchaser with the quantity, prices, and charges stated. Other information customarily shown on the invoice includes the customer's order number, order date, date of delivery or shipping, and terms of payment.

<u>Journal</u> – The accounting record in which financial transactions of the school are formally recorded for the first time.

<u>Liabilities</u> – Debt or other legal obligations arising out of transactions that are payable but not necessarily due. (Encumbrances are not liabilities; they become liabilities when the services or materials for which they were established have been rendered or received.)

<u>Memoranda (Memo) Account</u> – An informal record of an internal fund transaction that cannot be recorded under the regular financial accounts, but for which a record is desired (e.g., encumbrances).

<u>Outstanding Check</u> – A check issued and recorded by the school that has not been presented to the bank for payment prior to issuance of the monthly bank statement.

Outstanding Deposit - See Deposit in Transit.

Overdrawn – A situation in which a check has been written for an amount in excess of that on deposit. An overdraft is the amount by which withdrawals exceed the depositor's available balance.

<u>Perpetual Inventory</u> – An inventory system that is initiated by a physical inventory and perpetuated by entry of receipts and withdrawals, thereby reflecting current balances on hand for each item.

<u>Petty Cash</u> – Cash paid out in small amounts for authorized expenditures. Petty cash may be used to reimburse persons or to make a direct purchase (petty cash funds must be authorized). Payments must be evidenced by petty cash vouchers, which are signed receipts that show the purpose, date, and amount of the transaction.

<u>Posting</u> – The act of recording to an account in a ledger the detailed or summarized data contained in the documents of original entry.

<u>Pre-Numbered Documents</u> – Checks, receipt forms, tickets, and similar items that have been consecutively numbered and controlled before use.

<u>Prior Authorization</u> – A written approval granting authority to enter into a contract, to obligate funds for a purchase, or to receive a benefit before such an action occurs.

<u>Purchase Order</u> – A document issued to a vendor authorizing the delivery of goods or services that implies the obligation of funds.

<u>Reconciliation of Bank Statement</u> – A statement of the details of the differences between the bank statement and the cash account record to show agreement of the adjusted balances.

Refund – An amount paid back or credit allowed.

<u>Reimbursement</u> – Repayment of authorized expenditures made on behalf of the school's internal fund.

<u>Repairs, Minor</u> – The restoration to a usable condition of a given piece of equipment, building, or grounds. Costs of new construction, renovation, and remodeling are not included and are considered capital outlay.

<u>Reports</u> – Written statements of information that are made by a person, unit, or organization for the use of some other person, unit, or organization.

<u>Requisition</u> – A written request, usually from one department to the purchasing officer or to another department, for specified articles or services.

<u>Student Activities</u> – Direct and personal services for public school students, such as interscholastic athletics, entertainment, publications, clubs, band, or orchestra, which are managed or operated by students under the guidance and direction of authorized adults, and are not part of the regular instructional program.

<u>Student Organization</u> – Any group of students organized on campus into a single body for the purpose of pursuing common goals and objectives. This includes the various types of student clubs and class

organizations that, with proper approval by school authorities, are managed and operated by students under the direction or supervision of authorized adults.

<u>Subsidiary Ledger</u> – A record of the financial transactions of a given activity showing the receipts, expenditures, transfers, adjustments, and balances for the activity's account.

<u>Supply</u> – An item of expendable nature that is consumed, worn out, or deteriorated in use; or one that loses its identity through fabrication or incorporation into a different or more complex unit or substance.

<u>Supporting Documentation</u> – Evidence attesting to the authenticity, accuracy, and authority of a financial transaction.

<u>Surety Bond</u> – A written promise to pay damages or to indemnify against losses caused by the party or parties named in the document, through nonperformance or through defalcation. For example, a surety bond may be required of a contractor or an official handling cash or securities.

<u>Trade Discount</u> – An allowance made to individuals engaged in certain businesses and allowable irrespective of the time when the account is paid. The term should not be confused with "Cash Discount."

<u>Transfer</u> – Money that is taken from one account and added to another account. Transfers are not receipts or expenditures.

<u>Travel Expenditures</u> – Expenditures incurred by students and sponsors of a school activity in connection with travel related to the activity other than those costs directly chargeable to student transportation.

<u>Trust and Agency Funds</u> – Funds used to account for money and property held by a governmental unit in the capacity of trustee, custodian, or agent.

<u>Voided Check</u> – A check that has been declared void. A check on which an error has been made in writing, such as an incorrect amount, signature, or a discrepancy in the information included. The check is made void by mutilating the signature space and the check is retained.

#### APPENDIX A

## SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT CRITERIA

An ever-present challenge in financial accounting is that of distinguishing between supplies and equipment. This section provides criteria for classifying an item as either a supply or equipment. Equipment built in or fixed to the building or grounds is considered a part of the building or land improvement and should be charged to those respective accounts.

## CRITERIA FOR SUPPLY ITEMS

A supply item is any article or material that meets any <u>one</u> or more of the following conditions:

- 1. It is consumed in use.
- 2. It loses its original shape or appearance with use.
- 3. It is expendable. That is, if the article is damaged or some of its parts are lost or worn out, it is usually more feasible to replace it with an entirely new unit rather than repair it.
- 4. It is an inexpensive item, having characteristics of equipment but with a small unit cost that makes it inadvisable to capitalize the item.
- 5. It loses its identity through incorporation into a different or more complex unit or substance.

## CRITERIA FOR EQUIPMENT ITEMS

An equipment item is a material unit that meets <u>all</u> of the following conditions:

- 1. It retains its original shape and appearance with use.
- 2. It is nonexpendable. That is, it is usually more feasible to repair it rather than replace it with an entirely new unit.
- 3. It represents an investment of money that makes it feasible and advisable to capitalize the item.
- 4. It does not lose its identity through incorporation into a different or more complex unit or substance.

#### **APPENDIX B**

# **OPTIONAL OBJECT CODES**

The optional third-digit object account shown below is compatible with the current automated state database. School districts may elect to use this third digit in order to provide information requested in the automated state database system.

# SALARIES (100)

- 1. Regular Pay
- 2. Overtime Pay
- 3. Supplements
- 4. Terminal Pay (payment for unused annual leave)
- 5. Sick Leave Buyback (payment for unused sick leave)
- 6. Sabbatical Leave
- 7. Merit Pay
- 8. (Not assigned)
- 9. Other (e.g., uniform allowance)

# BENEFITS (200)

- 1. Health and Hospitalizations
- 2. Life Insurance
- 3. Commercial or Merit and Insurance Annuity Plan
- 4. Cafeteria Plan
- 9. Other

# LIBRARY BOOKS (Object 610 Only)

- 1. New Libraries
- 2. Existing Libraries