



Continental Local School

Home of the Pirates

Annual Report – Summer 2013

Dear Continental School District Residents,

It is with great pleasure that the Continental Local School District provides this annual report for the 2012-2013 school year. It includes a variety of information with valuable insight into our district.

I would like to commend our students, families, and the team of employees at our school for their continued efforts to improve our district's academic performance and financial standing.

For the third year in a row, and the fourth time in six years, Continental Local was named an *Excellent* district by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) on the state report card for the 2011-12 school year. This is a great accomplishment that we should all be proud of.

One of the many changes that ODE is making will be seen in August when the new state report card comes out. This first year, the new report card is to have nine new categories and schools will receive a letter grade of A, B, C, D, or F in each one. In most of the categories we expect that we will receive a letter grade of B or C, but realize that there may be a couple of categories that we are lower in. Part of this comes from the fact that there is a movement out there trying to prove that schools aren't doing as well as it appears. We will take this first year report card to learn from and make changes so that we do in fact see that our school is doing very well in every category.

To achieve improved outcomes from fewer resources, we must continue to be innovative in the way we do things. In the Fall of 2012, the Continental Board of Education decided to let an income tax expire and return that hard-earned income back to residents. In the Fall of 2013, residents will be asked to approve a renewal of our permanent improvement levy. This is not a new levy but a renewal, so it will not mean new taxes. Approval of this levy is necessary for the upkeep of our buildings and help with the purchase of buses. The roughly \$50,000 that it generates annually can not be used towards salaries.

As superintendent, I pledge to do everything on my part to make sure we are giving students what they need to graduate ready for college, a career, and life in our changing economy.

Sincerely,
Joel Mengerink, Superintendent

District Financial Report

As you view the Income Statement that is on the right-hand flap, there are a number of terms you may not be familiar with. Some definitions are provided in order to help you better understand where our revenues (money coming in) are coming from, as well as our expense categories.

Revenues:

Real Estate Taxes – These are the funds we receive from basic property taxes paid by homeowners, landowners, and commercial businesses within our district.

Tangible Personal Property Tax – This is money that used to be paid to our district from businesses for inventory and machinery values. We no longer receive this money. In the early 2000's this brought in more than \$50,000 per year.

Income Tax – Continental had a .5% school district income tax that was allowed to expire. This was a tax that was paid by district residents with income and amounted to more than \$250,000 per year when it was collected. The amount being collected now is from the original 1% income tax.

School Foundation – This is our revenue from the state of Ohio that is designated for operation of the school district. It is sometimes referred to as State Aid. This does include funds that we receive as part of the states Guarantee for smaller districts. In 2013, this includes a small amount from casino revenues.

Career Tech Funds – This is money we receive for operating vocational programs. These would be for Vo-Ag and Family/Consumer Science.

SFSF Funds/Education Jobs - In years 2011 and 2012 this was money from the President's Education Jobs Fund and was part of the stimulus package.

Property Tax Allocation - The state reimburses districts for the Homestead and Rollback deductions for homeowners. Each taxpayer has a 12.5% reduction in their property taxes for their primary residence. The state reimburses districts that amount.

All Other Operating Revenue – This is catch-all. Every other type of income we receive falls into these categories. The line called Insurance Proceeds is payment from our insurance company for the storm damage from last summer.

Expenses:

Salaries – This includes the salaries of not only all of our employees, but also includes substitutes, severance payments, and additional expenses such as tutoring. This is by far our biggest expense item and normally represents about 65% of our expenses.

Benefits – In addition to medical, dental, and vision insurance, this category includes costs for employee retirement programs, Medicare, Workers' Compensation, etc.

Purchased Services – This item covers a wide variety of different expenses. It includes all of our utilities. It also includes contracts we have with the NOACSC (internet provider among other things), NWOET (professional development provider), and other software contracts. Some of our maintenance and repair expenses are found here, along with our insurance premiums, phone services, and legal services.

Supplies and Materials – This line represents our expenses for fuel and other consumable items such as paper, envelopes, etc. It also represents our expenses for textbooks.

Capital Outlay – This fund has been used to purchase items such as computers, buses, mowers, boilers, chillers, and other large cap items. This line will grow over the next couple of years as we continue to pay for iPads, chillers, new buses, etc.

Other Objects – Our biggest item in this category is for services provided by the Putnam County ESC. We contract with them to provide programming for preschool, special education, curriculum, and a number of other items.

Continental Local School Income Statement July 2012 thru June 2013			
Revenue	2013	2012	2011
Real Estate Taxes	1,038,884	964,192	872,560
Tangible Personal Property	0	0	2,205
Income Tax	607,053	708,036	837,352
School Foundation	3,347,070	3,335,430	3,323,775
Career Tech Funds	35,208	35,208	35,208
SFSF Funds/Education Job	13,122	173,157	283,734
Property Tax Allocation	161,583	159,769	180,349
Rollback Payments	122,449	111,685	103,882
Homestead Exemption	43,656	43,562	43,027
Electric Deregulation	(300)	300	1,368
Tangible Personal Property	(4,222)	4,222	32,072
All Other Operation Revenue	593,888	301,882	312,391
Tuition	21,131	3,444	3,999
Open Enrollment	227,371	190,574	207,276
Services Provided Other Schools	35,192	48,885	8,128
Bus Fees Other Sources	10,607	9,018	14,779
Earnings on Investments	10,835	11,668	26,486
Workbook Fees	18,575	14,982	16,201
Property Rental	410	575	545
Donations	0	50	20,000
iPad Premiums	3,100	0	0
Miscellaneous	24,324	22,686	14,977
Insurance Proceeds	242,343	0	0
Other Financing-Fixed Asset Sale/Prior Yr	4,500	9,950	607
Operating Transfers In	93,189	176,631	141,468
Advances In	15,971	20,929	22,032
Total Revenue	593,888	301,882	312,391
Expenditures			
Salaries	2,764,766	2,889,099	2,851,623
Benefits	1,074,754	1,050,694	1,012,363
Purchased Services	1,484,527	1,440,936	1,318,273
Supplies	188,337	173,565	193,149
Capital Outlay	250,630	31,221	43,420
Intergovernmental	0	0	0
Other Objects	89,106	107,692	105,843
Debt Service - Principal	22,632	0	0
Debt Service - Interest	4,163	0	0
Transfers Out	132,230	237,641	194,933
Advances Out	9,460	14,841	15,224
Total Expenditures	0	0	0
Revenue Less Expenditures	593,888	301,882	312,391
Ending Cash Balance	3,848,926	3,959,062	4,019,566

Continental School By the Numbers...

Student Enrollment: 488
Average Class Size: 18
Racial Diversity: 6.1%
Students ID'd as Gifted: 20%
Students with a Disability: 86
Free/Reduced Lunches: 37%
Graduation Rate: 100%
School Meals Served: 56,983
Class of '13 Scholarships: \$1,001,573

Teachers with Adv Degrees: 30/39
Avg Years of Teaching Experience: 17.3
Students Transported by Bus: 215
Student Attendance Rate: 96.4%
Teacher Attendance Rate: 95%
Graduates Attending College: 74%
Seniors Receiving College Credit While Taking HS Courses: 14/35

Students Do Well on State Required Testing

Percent of Students Scoring at Proficient Level or Higher
(75% passage rate required)

	Reading	Math	Science	Writing	Soc Stud
3rd Grade	93.3%	93.3%	---	---	---
4th Grade	91.2%	85.3%	---	---	---
5th Grade	76.3%	86.8%	81.6%	---	---
6th Grade	86.7%	93.3%	---	---	---
7th Grade	87.1%	87.1%	---	---	---
8th Grade	93.5%	90.3%	83.9%	---	---
10th Grade	100.0%	93.2%	90.9%	95.5%	88.6%

District's Newly Designed State Report Card to be Released in August/September

This past year, the Ohio Legislature passed a set of laws that have required the Ohio Department of Education to come up with a new way of evaluating school districts. In doing so, ODE has eliminated the use of the category system that included the title of "Excellent." This will be replaced with a letter grade system that everyone is familiar with. Along with that, there are many more categories that schools will receive scores for. In this first year, there are nine categories that will receive a letter grade. We look forward to this new system of evaluating schools, and working on ways to improve upon our grades in each of the categories.

How Funds Are Used From Permanent Improvement Levy

Here is a listing of how Permanent Improvement Funds have been used the last three years. Note that these funds may not be used for salaries and benefits.

Soccer Bleachers/Install. - \$29,800	School Van (micro bus) - \$25,000
Concrete for Bleachers - \$8,180	Black Top Repair/Seal - \$12,371
HS Gym Lighting - \$13,793	72 Passenger Bus - \$81,632
	Auditor Fees (yearly) - \$1,420

2013 Scholarship Award Recipients

Recognized at May Academic Awards Ceremony:

Hannah Baker University of Cincinnati's Cincinnatus Scholarship
UC's McMicken Scholarship for Arts & Sciences
Lima/Allen County Medical Alliance Scholarship
PromMedica Defiance Hospital Scholarship
Henry Fought Memorial Scholarship
Christopher M. Potts Memorial Scholarship
Kenneth McKibben Scholarship
Medical Mutual Scholarship
TDS Scholarship
USMC Semper Fidelis Band Award

Dalton Bradford V. H. Cooper Scholarship
Thanks For The Memories Scholarship
JoAnn Grant Memorial Scholarship
USMC Scholastic Achievement Award
U. S. Army Reserves Scholar/Athlete

Sara Deken Northwest State's Changing Lives Scholarship
Continental Community Scholarship

Tyler Dockery Apprenticeship through GROB Systems, Inc.
Dist. 8 Fellowship of Christian Athletes 2013 Ldrship. Award

Cattie Donaldson UF's President's Scholarship
SAGE Scholars Discus Award
Coke's "I Make a Difference" Scholarship

Nik Eagleson Bowling Green's Freshman Academic Award

Keanna Hanefeld Northwest State Scholarship
Continental Community Scholarship

Vanessa Koppenhofer Steel Dynamics Inc. Scholarship
Dr. Richard Spuller Memorial Scholarship

Jacob Nicholson Huntington University's Digital Media Scholarship
Huntington University's Honors Scholarship

Krystle Prowant Putnam County Cattlemen's Association Scholarship
Harvey Wight Memorial Scholarship
CHS Blood Donor Scholarship

Tori Rankin Defiance College Scholarship

Chaz Slattman Dr. Mack Shaffer Scholar/Athlete Award

Tim Vogt Coke "I Make a Difference" Scholarship
CHS Blood Donor Scholarship

Leva Weller Defiance College's Trustee Scholarship
Continental Community Scholarship
Dr. Mack Shaffer Scholar/Athlete Award
USMC Athletic Achievement Award
U.S. Army Reserves Scholar/Athlete

Taylor Williamson Columbus State's HS Senior Success Scholarship
Dr. Michael Walls Future Teacher Scholarship
Kenneth McKibben Scholarship
Continental Lions Club Scholarship

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