



POPULAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE NEWTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT,

The Newton Community School District is fortunate to have a supportive community that is a partner in the education of our children. As stewards of the community's investment in its schools, the District is committed to ensuring that residents have access to and understand the District's finances. The Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) is something new that we are adding to share in that commitment. It focuses on the District's General Fund and offers an easy-to-understand overview of the District's general operating activities and key financial trends for fiscal year 2021 (July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021).

The information reflects key data available in the audited financial statements within the District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2021. That document will be available on the Iowa State Auditors website at www.auditor.iowa.gov. The District's CAFR is prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). The PAFR reflects information on a modified accrual basis and is presented in an unaudited format.

We would like to thank our citizens for their encouragement in creating a report designed to more adequately address their needs as taxpayers, as well as the opportunity to serve them. Questions, comments and feedback regarding this report is encouraged. Do not hesitate to contact the district business office at 641-792-5809 or bloomt@newtoncsd.org.



Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tom Messenger". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Tom Messenger
Superintendent



SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS



CODY MUHS
Board President

Cody Muhs is a Principal Engineer/Paralegal at Pella Corporation where he has been for 20 years in several different engineering roles. Cody graduated from the University of Illinois as an Industrial Engineer and received a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Drake University.



JOSH CANTU
Board Vice- President

Mr. Cantu has lived in Newton since 2002 when he joined Pella Corporation in an engineering role. He holds an undergraduate degree from Iowa State University in Mechanical Engineering and a graduate degree from the University of Iowa in Business Administration.



DONNA COOK
Board Member

Ms. Cook grew up in Newton and is a graduate of the Newton Community School District. She holds a Bachelors of Science degree in Nursing from the University of Iowa, and is retired. Ms. Cook is passionate about family and community involvement in public education and has served on the local, state, and national Parent Teacher Association.



ROBYN FRIEDMAN
Board Member

Robyn has lived in Newton since 2000 and is employed as a physical therapist at MercyOne Newton. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in Biology from Wartburg College and a Master's Degree of Physical Therapy from the University of Iowa. Robyn is a current board member on the Jasper County Conservation Board, is an active member of the PTA, and serves on the Newton Wellness Coalition.



TRAVIS PADGET
Board Member

Travis Padget was born and raised in Newton. After graduating from Newton High School in 1991, Travis went to Germany as a Foreign Exchange Student, then returned to Iowa to attend Cornell College in Mt. Vernon. While at Cornell College, Travis studied Art, Psychology, and Theatre. Travis moved to Boston in 1996 to work on a Masters Degree in Mental Health Counseling at Boston College.



GRAHAM SULLIVAN
Board Member

Graham Sullivan is the former Executive Director of Newton Main Street and is a third generation resident of Newton. She is an avid volunteer and is the Treasurer of the Newton Community Education Foundation, an ex-officio of the Newton Development Corporation Board and the Newton Housing Development Corporation Board.



MARK THAYER
Board Member

Mark has been living in Newton and serving as the administrator of the Newton Clinic since 1996. Mark is a graduate of Grand View University in 1994 (BA) and 2014 (MS). Mark is married to Michelle and they have two children, Maddison (Iowa State University) and Mitchell (Newton High School). Mark and his family are members of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

MISSION

The Newton Community School District empowers every learner to achieve a lifetime of personal success.

VISION

We are a collaborative and cohesive team that inspires and supports all learners in a culture of safety and acceptance.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL REPORTS

Numbers in the Financial Position Statement and Financial Activity Statement are taken from the District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), but are presented in a non- GAAP format. In addition, this PAFR focuses on the District's General Fund, the operating fund of the District. The CAFR can be obtained from the State Auditor's office.

ASSETS OVER LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS

The Financial Position Statement, known in accounting terms as the balance sheet, reports the assets available to provide services along with the liabilities (amounts for which the District is obligated to pay in the future) and deferred inflows (primarily assets that do not finance the current fiscal year). The excess of assets over liabilities and deferred inflows provides the net position, or net worth, of the District. The amounts reported below are for the District's General Fund.

ASSETS (shown in thousands)

	FY21	FY20	FY19	FY18	FY17
Cash and Investments	\$3,735	\$2,382	\$1,680	\$1,537	\$1,253
Receivables	\$12,383	\$11,557	\$10,778	\$10,111	\$9,587
TOTAL ASSETS	\$16,118	\$13,939	\$12,458	\$11,649	\$10,840

LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS (shown in thousands)

	FY21	FY20	FY19	FY18	FY17
Payables	\$909	\$751	\$471	\$1,438	\$497
Deferred Inflows	\$10,381	\$11,117	\$10,224	\$9,496	\$9,218
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS	\$11,290	\$11,868	\$10,695	\$10,935	\$9,715
FUND BALANCE	\$4,828	\$2,071	\$1,763	\$714	\$1,125

SOURCE: Exhibit C from CAFR report



REVENUES AND RESOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND SERVICES

The Financial Activity Statement below is shown on a modified accrual basis for the Districts General Fund. This type of schedule, known in accounting terms as the income statement, provides a summary of the receipts and resources received by the District as compared to the expenditures and services provided by the District.

REVENUES (shown in thousands)

	FY21	FY20	FY19	FY18	FY17
Local Tax	\$11,205	\$10,381	\$9,603	\$9,247	\$9,114
Tuition	\$197	\$250	\$295	\$291	\$219
Other Local Sources	\$276	\$360	\$399	\$448	\$315
Intermediate Sources	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$3	\$12
State Sources	\$22,346	\$22,106	\$22,119	\$20,540	\$20,432
Federal Sources	\$2,983	\$1,502	\$1,241	\$1,054	\$1,077
Other Sources	\$347	\$56	\$50	\$37	\$8
TOTAL	\$37,352	\$34,655	\$33,708	\$31,619	\$31,177

EXPENDITURES (shown in thousands)

	FY21	FY20	FY19	FY18	FY17
Instruction	\$21,532	\$21,379	\$20,524	\$20,236	\$20,164
Student Support Services	\$1,477	\$1,402	\$1,407	\$1,360	\$1,351
Instructional Staff Support Services	\$2,114	\$2,057	\$1,936	\$2,002	\$2,083
Administration	\$3,786	\$3,743	\$3,495	\$3,512	\$3,460
Operation and Maintenance	\$3,205	\$3,073	\$2,865	\$2,667	\$2,661
Transportation	\$1,121	\$1,371	\$1,130	\$1,020	\$979
Community Services	\$-	\$1	\$-	\$-	\$-
AEA Flowthrough	\$1,355	\$1,320	\$1,302	\$1,233	\$1,190
Other Uses	\$6	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
TOTAL	\$34,596	\$34,347	\$32,659	\$32,031	\$31,888
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$2,757	\$308	\$1,049	\$(411)	\$(711)

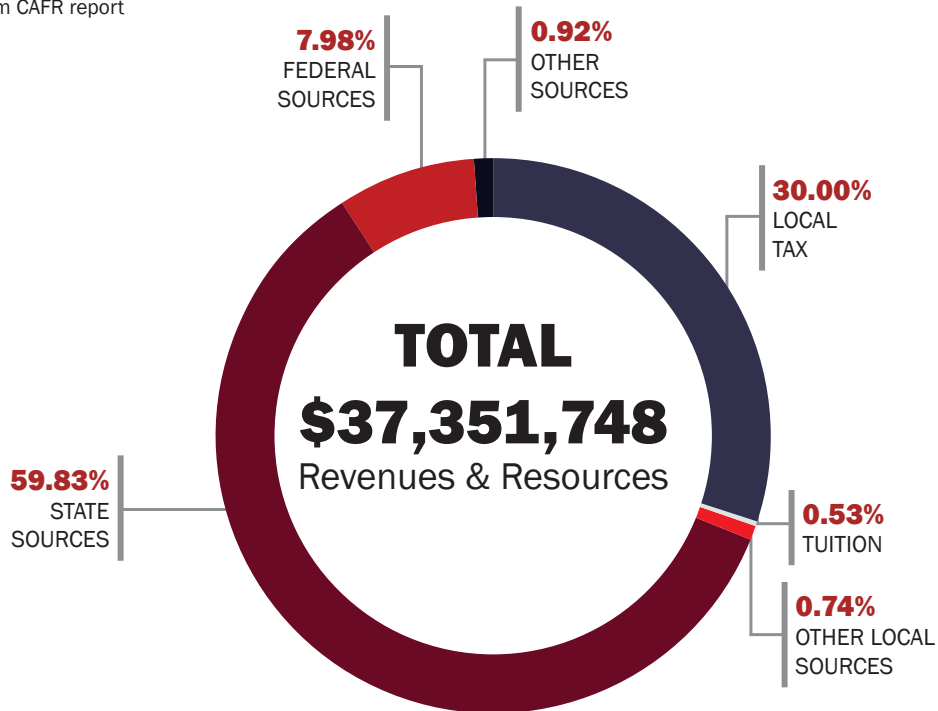
SOURCE: Exhibit E from CAFR report



REVENUES AND RESOURCES

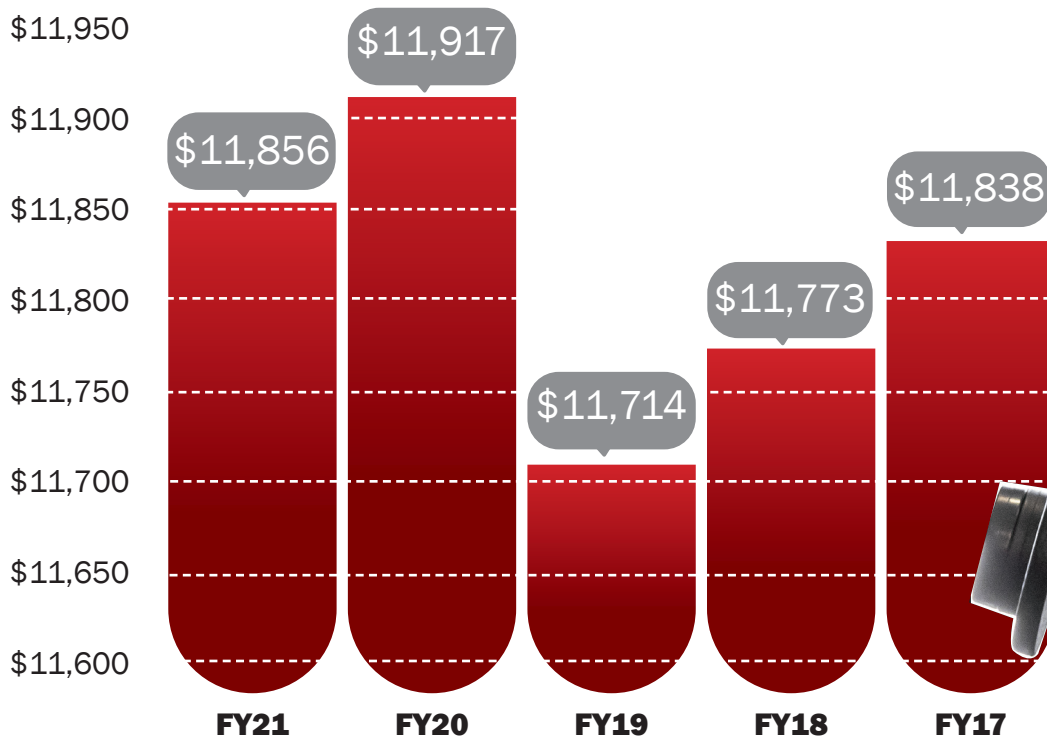
Where the General Fund money comes from. The graph below displays the modified accrual basis sources of funding for the General Fund for fiscal year 2021.

SOURCE: Exhibit E from CAFR report



PROPERTY TAXES (shown in thousands)

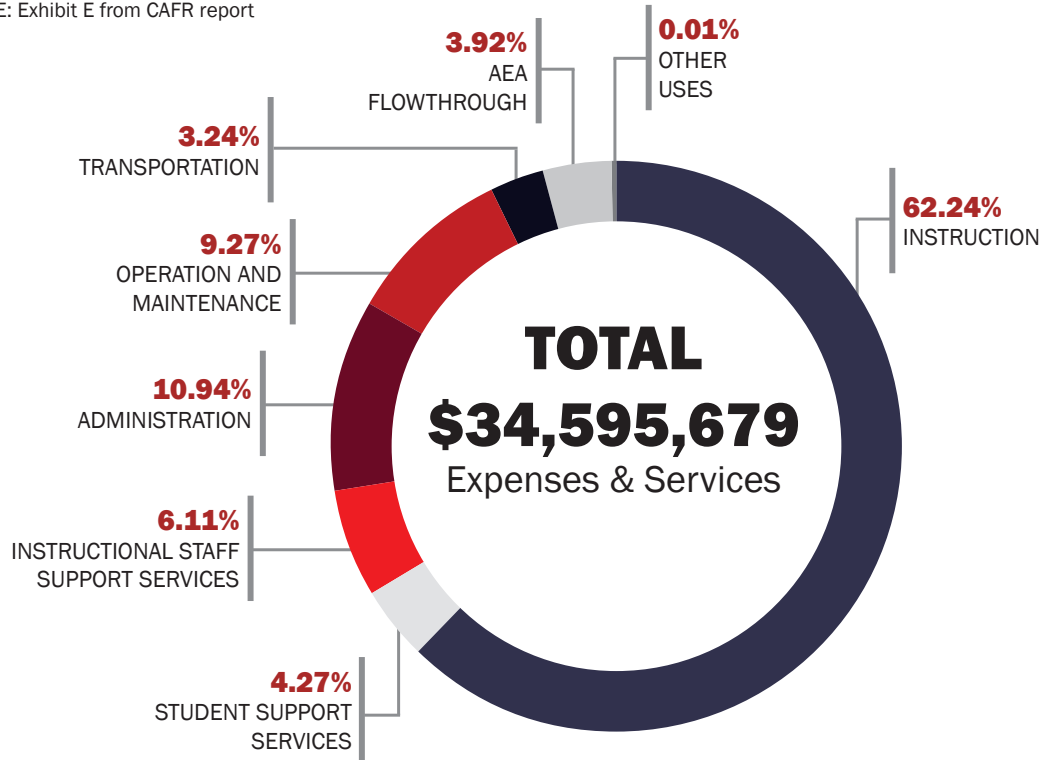
Below is a graph depicting the amount of property taxes collections received by the District's General Fund from taxes on real property. Property taxes provide a majority of the local revenue to operate and maintain our schools.



EXPENDITURES AND SERVICES

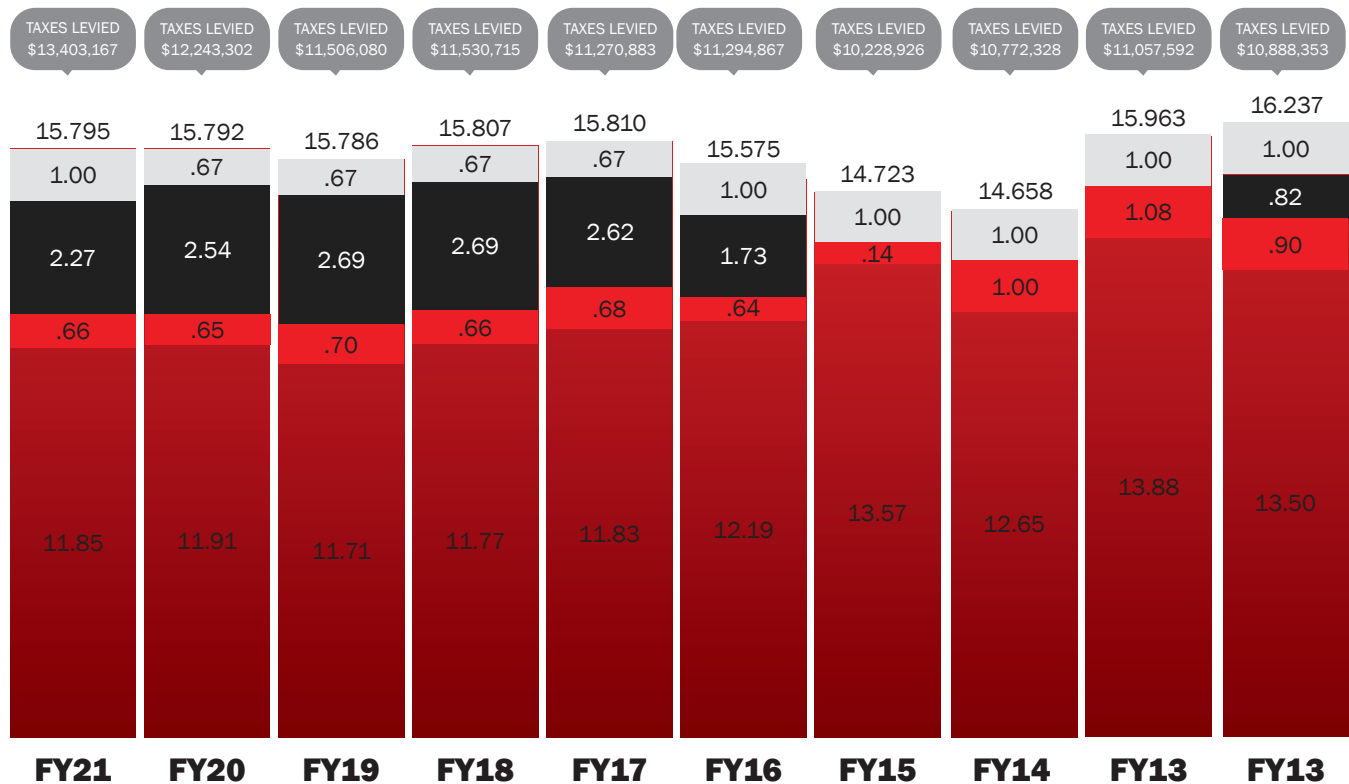
Where the General Fund money goes. The graph below displays the modified accrual basis uses of funding from the General Fund for the fiscal year 2021.

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TOTAL TAX RATE AND VALUATION

GENERAL PPEL DEBT SERVICE MANAGEMENT



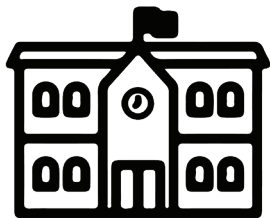
THE NUMBERS BEHIND NEWTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS



62.58%
Proficiency Reading



59.36%
Proficiency Math



SCHOOLS
4 Elementary
1 Middle
2 High



OUR STUDENTS

Enrollment by building over time.

SCHOOL	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Aurora Heights Elementary	236	272	271	301	257
Emerson Hough Elementary	233	240	253	257	256
Thomas Jefferson Elementary	325	339	336	395	375
Woodrow Wilson Elementary	268	290	284	268	290
Berg Middle School	877	902	925	915	886
Newton Senior High School	848	845	838	852	805
WEST Academy	69	63	85	73	68
Total	2,856	2,951	2,992	3,061	2,937

EDUCATION

Newton Community School District offers pre K – 12 schools that are full of academic, athletic, and artistic opportunities. Our mission: The Newton Community School District empowers every learner to achieve a lifetime of personal success. As a district, we are a collaborative and cohesive team that inspires and supports all learners in a culture of safety and acceptance. Different students have different needs and their school experience reflects that individuality. Our entire community feels the Red Pride we have for our schools, academic, athletic, and extracurricular teams.

Newton also has post-secondary opportunities. Des Moines Area Community College, Newton Campus is a place for students of all ages to begin college, enhance their skills for career advancement, or prepare for a new career. DMACC achieves academic excellence through affordable tuition, helpful staff, and small class sizes. Buena Vista University offers classes at the DMACC Newton campus and online, allowing students to complete a bachelor's degree in a variety of majors. Newton Senior High School students have the opportunity to ready themselves for college even further as we offer 152 collegiate-level credit courses.



OUR HISTORY

The Newton High School Alumni Association was established in 1881, when the very first NHS Alumni Reunion was held. Did you know that Emerson Hough was our first president?

ALUMNI NEWS

AlumniNews, is published twice per year and brings years together under one newsletter with alumni happenings from throughout the country. Remain a part of "Cardinal Country" year round! Information on how to join the NHS Alumni Association and receive our semi-annual newsletter is found on our website (newtonalumni.org).

ALUMNI REUNION WEEKEND!

Our annual Alumni Reunion Weekend – All Class Reunion is held on the second Friday each June at various locations in Newton, Iowa. Individual Class Reunions celebrate every five years on Saturday, and we have added our annual Jack Chadwick "Best Shot" Golf Tournament on Saturday afternoon. Proceeds collected at our Reunion Weekend go toward two scholarships, and various fundraising projects at Newton High School. In the past couple years, we have collected for benches and the Newton Cross Country Course.

HALL OF FAME

The Primary purpose of the NHS Hall of Fame is to recognize individuals or organizations that made significant contributions to NHS and continued making contributions to their community (local, state, national, or international). The recognition of these individuals is intended to highlight and encourage a tradition of excellence, commitment, and personal dedication at Newton High School.

WEBSITE: newtonalumni.org

FIND US ON FACEBOOK: @NewtonIowaAlumniNews





OUR MISSION

The Newton Community Educational Foundation exists to fund innovative educational programs in our schools. We believe these extra programs inspire, motivate and challenge our children to excellence in the classroom and beyond. It is our purpose to provide these enriched learning experiences for every child in the Newton Community Schools.

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NCEF- WHAT WE DO!

CLASSROOM GRANTS FOR TEACHERS

Over \$1 Million+ awarded since our founding in 1989. To apply for a Newton Community Educational Foundation (Mini or Major) Grant, applicants must be a faculty member of the Newton Community School District. Grant applications are accepted year round, and reviewed by the NCEF Board with funding decisions and awards announced in June and November.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS FOR STUDENTS

Because of the generosity of many donors, the Newton Community Educational Foundation is able to annually award scholarships to several deserving Newton High School graduating seniors. Our scholarships include:

- Amy Doerring Above & Beyond Scholarship
- Princess Scholarship
- Bruce Hoffmeier Scholarship
- Michael White Scholarship
- Trenton Brady Memorial Scholarship
- Betty Ponder Debban Endowed Designated Fund Music Scholarship
- LaVona Severin Thorsen Scholarship



TEACHER EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARDS

Each year, the Newton Community Educational Foundation accepts nominations and awards teachers with Excellence in Education awards. We celebrate our teachers by visiting their classroom and announcing the award along with the Cardinal Mascot, Big Red! Award recipients receive \$250.00 for their classrooms and a Star Polisher Award.



WATER BOTTLES FOR STUDENTS

The Newton Community Educational Foundation generously donated enough Cardinal Red water bottles for students for the 2020 - 2021 and 2021 - 2022 school years. Kids love that they can personalize the bottles with their names!



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