# Notes of Interest January Financial Report



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- Property tax receipts began the tax collection period very strong, exceeding the 4.2% assessment growth by an additional 4%. A portion of this additional increase is a timing difference due to process improvements resulting in quicker remittance from the Jefferson County Sheriff to us, and a portion is additional revenues due to new property and property transfers. We expect to have a clearer picture of this at the end of February at which time the timing differences will have been rectified by a full year on the Sheriff's improved processes.
- Occupational taxes continue to outpace previous years as the economy remains strong.
- SEEK Program revenues continue to demonstrate a decreasing trend, as our assessments growth increases more than the increase in base per pupil funding.
- Other state revenues and most expense categories showed a significant increase from the 2014-15 school year to the 2015-16 school year due to recording state-paid health insurance and teachers' retirement system employer match on a monthly basis, as recommended by the Kentucky Department of Education.

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- With the collection of the majority of our property taxes during November, December, and January, the General Fund fund balance is generally at its highest month-end balance as of January 31 of each year. For the remainder of the year, this balance typically reduces each month until our fiscal year end of June 30.
- Our inventory balances are at the lowest levels in many years due to process changes made by our Operations division. Over the past year, these improvements have eliminated approximately \$440,000 of items from our warehouses.

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• Transportation Professional/Technical Services are negative due to reimbursements from grants for direct transportation services provided to the grant programs, such as preschool.

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- Building Fund had \$7.3 million remaining unspent at the end of the 2015-16 year. These funds have already been included in the facilities and renovation allocation for the 2016-17 year.
- Building Fund receives most of its revenue each year as a required local effort (a percent of our property taxes), which we transfer in November when property tax receipts begin for the year. As assessments increase, the amount required to be received into Building Fund increases proportionately.

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 Community eligibility continues to cause our food sales to drop, which is offset by federal grants, as the USDA is reimbursing us for meals previously paid by students or their families. At the time of this report, January meal data was being reconciled and reviewed prior to invoicing the USDA for January. Once this revenue is received, federal grant revenues will be show a small increase over FY16.