

**PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 2021**

**NEW ISSUE: TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES  
BANK QUALIFIED**

*In the opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Bond Counsel, based upon an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings and court decisions, and assuming among other matters, the accuracy of certain representations and compliance with certain covenants, interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. In the further opinion of Bond Counsel, interest on the Notes is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. Bond Counsel is also of the opinion that interest on the Notes is exempt from personal income taxes imposed by the State of New York or any political subdivision thereof (including The City of New York). Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any other tax consequences related to the ownership or disposition of, or the amount, accrual or receipt of interest on, the Notes. See "Tax Matters" herein.*

*The School District WILL designate the Notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.*

**\$8,000,000  
BABYLON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK**

**\$ 8,000,000 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES, 2021**

**DATED: October 6, 2021**

**DUE: JUNE 17, 2022**

The Notes are general obligations of the Babylon Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York, all the taxable real property within which is subject to the levy of ad valorem taxes to pay the Notes and interest thereon, subject to applicable statutory limitations. See "Nature of Obligation" and "The Tax Levy Limit Law" herein. The Notes will not be subject to redemption prior to maturity.

The Notes shall be issued as book-entry only notes registered to Cede & Co., DTC will act as securities depository for the Notes and owners will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Notes. Individual purchases of such registered Notes may be made in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. A single note certificate will be issued for those Notes bearing the same rate of interest and CUSIP number in the aggregate principal amount awarded to such purchaser at such interest rate. Principal of and interest on said Notes will be paid in Federal Funds by the School District to Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to its participants for subsequent distribution to the beneficial owners of the Notes as described herein. See "Book-Entry-Only System" herein.

The Notes are offered when, as and if issued and received by the Purchaser and subject to the receipt of the approving legal opinion as to the validity of the Notes of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Bond Counsel, of New York City. It is anticipated that the Notes will be available for delivery through the facilities of DTC in Jersey City, New Jersey, or at such other place as may be agreed with the Purchaser on or about October 6, 2021.

FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT'S AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF MATERIAL EVENTS AS DESCRIBED IN SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15c2-12, SEE "DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING" HEREIN.

September \_\_, 2021

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**OFFICIAL STATEMENT**  
**of the**  
**BABYLON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK**  
**Relating To**  
**\$8,000,000 Tax Anticipation Notes, 2021**

This Official Statement, which includes the cover page, has been prepared by the Babylon Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York (the "School District," "County," and "State," respectively) in connection with the sale by the School District of \$8,000,000 principal amount of Tax Anticipation Notes, 2021 (the "Notes").

The factors affecting the School District's financial condition and the Notes are described throughout this Official Statement. Inasmuch as many of these factors, including economic and demographic factors, are complex and may influence the School District tax base, revenues, and expenditures, this Official Statement should be read in its entirety, and no one factor should be considered more or less important than any other by reason of its relative position in this Official Statement.

All quotations from and summaries and explanations of provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State and acts and proceedings of the School District contained herein do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the official compilations thereof, and all references to the Notes and the proceedings of the School District relating thereto are qualified in their entirety by reference to the definitive forms of the Notes and such proceedings.

All financial and other information presented herein has been provided by the School District from its records, except information expressly attributed to other sources. The presentation of such information is intended to show recent historical data and is not intended to indicate or predict future or continuing trends in the financial position or other affairs of the School District. No representation is made that past experience will necessarily continue or be repeated in the future. The information, estimates and opinions provided herein are subject to change without notice from the date hereof.

This Official Statement should be read with the understanding that the ongoing COVID-19 global pandemic has created prevailing economic conditions (at the global, national, State and local levels) that are highly uncertain, generally negative, and rapidly changing, and these conditions are expected to continue for an indefinite period of time. Accordingly, the District's overall economic situation and outlook (and all of the specific District related information contained herein) should be carefully reviewed, evaluated and understood in the full light of this unprecedented world-wide event, the effects of which are extremely difficult to predict and quantify.

**THE NOTES**

The Notes are general obligations of the School District, and will contain a pledge of its faith and credit for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes thereon as required by the Constitution and laws of the State of New York (State Constitution, Art. VIII, Section 2; Local Finance Law, Section 100.00). All the taxable real property within the School District is subject to the levy of ad valorem taxes to pay the Notes and interest thereon, subject to applicable statutory limitations. See "Nature of Obligation" herein and "TAX INFORMATION - The Tax Levy Limit Law" herein.

The Notes will be dated and will mature, without option of prior redemption, as stated on the cover page.

At the option of the purchaser, the Notes will be issued in (i) registered form registered in the name of the successful bidder(s) or (ii) registered book-entry form registered to Cede & Co., as the partnership nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC").

If the Notes are issued registered in the name of the successful bidder, a single note certificate will be issued for those Notes of an issue bearing the same rate of interest in the aggregate principal amount awarded to such purchaser at such interest rate. Principal of and interest on such Notes will be payable in Federal Funds by the District.

For those Notes issued as book-entry only notes registered to Cede & Co., DTC will act as securities depository for the Notes and owners will not receive certificates representing their interest in the Notes. Individual purchases of such registered Notes may be made in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. A single note certificate will be issued for those Notes bearing the same rate of interest and CUSIP number in the aggregate principal amount awarded to such purchaser(s) at such interest rate. Principal of and interest on said Notes will be paid in Federal Funds by the School District to Cede & Co., as

nominee for DTC, which will in turn remit such principal and interest to its participants for subsequent distribution to the beneficial owners of the Notes as described herein. See "Book-Entry-Only System" herein.

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The Notes will not be subject to prior redemption prior to maturity. Interest will be calculated on a 30-day month and 360-day year basis, payable at maturity.

### ***Authority for and Purpose of the Notes***

The Notes are issued pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State, including Sections 24.00 and 39.00 of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of New York, and a tax anticipation note resolution adopted by the Board of the District to finance cash flow requirements in anticipation of the collection of 2021-2022 real property taxes levied for school and library purposes on all taxable real property in the District. The proceeds of the Notes may be used only for the purposes for which such taxes were or are to be levied, unless all of said purposes have been paid and satisfied, in which case the proceeds of the notes may be used for any lawful school purpose. The proceeds of the Notes will not be used for the redemption or renewal of any outstanding tax or revenue anticipation notes.

Pursuant to Section 24.00(e) of the Local Finance Law, generally, whenever the amount of the Notes and any additional tax anticipation notes issued by the District in anticipation of the receipt of 2021-2022 real property taxes equals the amount of such taxes remaining uncollected, the District is required to set aside in a special bank account all of such uncollected taxes as thereafter collected, and to use the amounts so set aside only for the purpose of paying such Notes. Interest on the Notes will be provided from budget appropriations.

### ***Nature of Obligation***

Each Note when duly issued and paid for will constitute a contract between the School District and the holder thereof.

Holders of any series of notes or bonds of the School District may bring an action or commence a proceeding in accordance with the civil practice law and rules to enforce the rights of the holders of such series of notes or bonds.

The Notes will be general obligations of the School District and will contain a pledge of the faith and credit of the School District for the payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon as required by the Constitution and laws of the State. For the payment of such principal and interest, the School District has power and statutory authorization to levy ad valorem taxes on all real property within the School District subject to such taxation by the School District subject to applicable statutory limitations. See "TAX INFORMATION-The Tax Levy Limit Law" herein.

Although the State Legislature is restricted by Article VIII, Section 12 of the State Constitution from imposing limitations on the power to raise taxes to pay "interest on or principal of indebtedness theretofore contracted" prior to the effective date of any such legislation, the New York State Legislature may from time to time impose additional limitations or requirements on the ability to increase a real property tax levy or on the methodology, exclusions or other restrictions of various aspects of real property taxation (as well as on the ability to issue new indebtedness). On June 24, 2011, Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011 was signed into law by the Governor, as amended, (the "Tax Levy Limit Law"). The Tax Levy Limit Law applies to local governments and school districts in the State (with certain exceptions) and imposes additional procedural requirements on the ability of municipalities and school districts to levy certain year-to-year increases in real property taxes.

Under the Constitution of the State, the School District is required to pledge its faith and credit for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes and is required to raise real estate taxes, and without specification, other revenues, if such levy is necessary to repay such indebtedness. While the Tax Levy Limit Law imposes a statutory limitation on the School District's power to increase its annual tax levy with the amount of such increase limited by the formulas set forth in the Tax Levy Limit Law, it also provides the procedural method to surmount that limitation. See "The Tax Levy Limit Law," herein.

The Constitutionally-mandated general obligation pledge of municipalities and school districts in New York State has been interpreted by the Court of Appeals, the State's highest court, in Flushing National Bank v. Municipal Assistance Corporation for the City of New York, 40 N.Y.2d 731 (1976), as follows:

“A pledge of the City’s faith and credit is both a commitment to pay and a commitment of the city’s revenue generating powers to produce the funds to pay. Hence, an obligation containing a pledge of the City’s “faith and credit” is secured by a promise both to pay and to use in good faith the City’s general revenue powers to produce sufficient funds to pay the principal and interest of the obligation as it becomes due. That is why both words, “faith” and “credit” are used and they are not tautological. That is what the words say and this is what the courts have held they mean . . . So, too, although the Legislature is given the duty to restrict municipalities in order to prevent abuses in taxation, assessment, and in contracting of indebtedness, it may not constrict the City’s power to levy taxes on real estate for the payment of interest on or principal of indebtedness previously contracted. While phrased in permissive language, these provisions, when read together with the requirement of the pledge and faith and credit, express a constitutional imperative: debt obligations must be paid, even if tax limits be exceeded”.

In addition, the Court of Appeals in the Flushing National Bank (1976) case has held that the payment of debt service on outstanding general obligation bonds and notes takes precedence over fiscal emergencies and the police power of political subdivisions in New York State.

The pledge has generally been understood as a promise to levy property taxes without limitation as to rate or amount to the extent necessary to cover debt service due to language in Article VIII Section 10 of the Constitution which provides an exclusion for debt service from Constitutional limitations on the amount of a real property tax levy, insuring the availability of the levy of property tax revenues to pay debt service. As the Flushing National Bank (1976) Court noted, the term “faith and credit” in its context is “not qualified in any way”. Indeed, in Flushing National Bank v. Municipal Assistance Corp., 40 N.Y.2d 1088 (1977) the Court of Appeals described the pledge as a direct constitutional mandate. In Quirk v. Municipal Assistance Corp., 41 N.Y.2d 644 (1977), the Court of Appeals stated that, while holders of general obligation debt did not have a right to particular revenues such as sales tax, “with respect to traditional real estate tax levies, the bondholders are constitutionally protected against an attempt by the State to deprive the city of those revenues to meet its obligations.” According to the Court in Quirk, the State Constitution “requires the city to raise real estate taxes, and without specification other revenues, if such a levy be necessary to repay indebtedness.”

In addition, the Constitution of the State requires that every county, city, town, village, and school district in the State provide annually by appropriation for the payment of all interest and principal on its serial bonds and certain other obligations, and that, if at any time the respective appropriating authorities shall fail to make such appropriation, a sufficient sum shall be set apart from the first revenues thereafter received and shall be applied to such purposes. In the event that an appropriating authority were to make an appropriation for debt service and then decline to expend it for that purpose, this provision would not apply. However, the Constitution of the State does also provide that the fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village, or school district may be required to set apart and apply such first revenues at the suit of any holder of any such obligations.

In Quirk v. Municipal Assistance Corp., the Court of Appeals described this as a “first lien” on revenues, but one that does not give holders a right to any particular revenues. It should thus be noted that the pledge of the faith and credit of a political subdivision in New York State is a pledge of an issuer of a general obligation bond or note to use its general revenue powers, including, but not limited to, its property tax levy to pay debt service on such obligations, but that such pledge may not be interpreted by a court of competent jurisdiction to include a constitutional or statutory lien upon any particular revenues.

While the courts in New York State have historically been protective of the rights of holders of general obligation debt of political subdivisions, it is not possible to predict what a future court might hold.

## **SPECIAL PROVISIONS AFFECTING REMEDIES UPON DEFAULT**

**State Aid Intercept For School Districts.** In the event of a default in the payment of the principal of and/or interest on the Notes, the State Comptroller is required to withhold, under certain conditions prescribed by Section 99-b of the State Finance Law, state aid and assistance to the School District and to apply the amount thereof so withheld to the payment of such defaulted principal and/or interest, which requirement constitutes a covenant by the State with the holders from time to time of the Notes. The covenant between the State of New York and the purchasers and the holders and owners from time to time of the notes and bonds issued by the school districts in the State for school purposes provides that it will not repeal, revoke or rescind the provisions of Section 99-b, or amend or modify the same so as to limit, impair or impede the rights and remedies granted thereby.

Said section provides that in the event a holder or owner of any bond issued by a school district for school purposes shall file with the State Comptroller a verified statement describing such bond and alleging default in the payment thereof or the interest thereon or both, it shall be the duty of the State Comptroller to immediately investigate the circumstances of the

alleged default and prepare and file in his office a certificate setting forth his determinations with respect thereto and to serve a copy thereof by registered mail upon the chief fiscal officer of the school district which issued the bond. Such investigation by the State Comptroller shall cover the current status with respect to the payment of principal of and interest on all outstanding bonds of such school district issued for school purposes and the statement prepared and filed by the State Comptroller shall set forth a description of all such bonds of the school district found to be in default and the amount of principal and interest thereon past due.

Upon the filing of such a certificate in the office of the State Comptroller, he shall thereafter deduct and withhold from the next succeeding allotment, apportionment or payment of such State aid or assistance due to such school district such amount thereof as may be required to pay (a) the school district's contribution to the State teachers retirement system, and (b) the principal of and interest on such bonds of such school district then in default. In the event such State aid or assistance initially so withheld shall be insufficient to pay said amounts in full, the State Comptroller shall similarly deduct and withhold from each succeeding allotment, apportionment or payment of such State aid or assistance due such school district such amount or amounts thereof as may be required to cure such default. Allotments, apportionments and payments of such State aid so deducted or withheld by the State Comptroller for the payment of principal and interest on bonds shall be forwarded promptly to the paying agent or agents for the bonds in default of such school district for the sole purpose of the payment of defaulted principal of and interest on such bonds. If any of such successive allotments, apportionments or payments of such State Aid so deducted or withheld shall be less than the amount of all principal and interest on the bonds in default with respect to which the same was so deducted or withheld, then the State Comptroller shall promptly forward to each paying agent an amount in the proportion that the amount of such bonds in default payable to such paying agent bears to the total amount of the principal and interest then in default on such bonds of such school district. The State Comptroller shall promptly notify the chief fiscal officer of such school district of any payment or payments made to any paying agent or agents of defaulted bonds pursuant to said Section 99-b.

**General Municipal Law Contract Creditors' Provision.** Each Note when duly issued and paid for will constitute a contract between the School District and the holder thereof. Under current law, provision is made for contract creditors of the School District to enforce payments upon such contracts, if necessary, through court action. Section 3-a of the General Municipal Law provides, subject to exceptions not pertinent, that the rate of interest to be paid by the School District upon any judgment or accrued claim against it on an amount adjudged due to a creditor shall not exceed nine per centum per annum from the date due to the date of payment. This provision might be construed to have application to the holders of the Notes in the event of a default in the payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes.

**Execution/Attachment of Municipal Property.** As a general rule, property and funds of a municipal corporation serving the public welfare and interest have not been judicially subjected to execution or attachment to satisfy a judgment, although judicial mandates have been issued to officials to appropriate and pay judgments out of certain funds or the proceeds of a tax levy. In accordance with the general rule with respect to municipalities, judgments against the School District may not be enforced by levy and execution against property owned by the School District.

**Authority to File For Municipal Bankruptcy.** The Federal Bankruptcy Code allows public bodies, such as municipalities, recourse to the protection of a Federal Court for the purpose of adjusting outstanding indebtedness. Section 85.80 of the Local Finance Law contains specific authorization for any municipality in the State or its emergency control board to file a petition under any provision of Federal bankruptcy law for the composition or adjustment of municipal indebtedness. While this Local Finance Law provision does not apply to school districts, there can be no assurance that it will not be made so applicable in the future.

**State Debt Moratorium Law.** There are separate State law provisions regarding debt service moratoriums enacted into law in 1975.

At the Extraordinary Session of the State Legislature held in November, 1975, legislation was enacted which purported to suspend the right to commence or continue an action in any court to collect or enforce certain short-term obligations of The City of New York. The effect of such act was to create a three-year moratorium on actions to enforce the payment of such obligations. On November 19, 1976, the Court of Appeals, the State's highest court, declared such act to be invalid on the ground that it violates the provisions of the State Constitution requiring a pledge by such City of its faith and credit for the payment of obligations.

As a result of the Court of Appeals decision in Flushing National Bank v. Municipal Assistance Corporation for the City of New York, 40 N.Y.2d 731 (1976), the constitutionality of that portion of Title 6-A of Article 2 of the Local Finance Law enacted at the 1975 Extraordinary Session of the State legislature authorizing any county, city, town or village with respect to which the State has declared a financial emergency to petition the State Supreme Court to stay the enforcement against such

municipality of any claim for payment relating to any contract, debt or obligation of the municipality during the emergency period, is subject to doubt. In any event, no such emergency has been declared with respect to the School District.

**Constitutional Non-Appropriation Provision.** There is in the Constitution of the State, Article VIII, Section 2, the following provision relating to the annual appropriation of monies for the payment of due principal of and interest on indebtedness of every county, city, town, village and school district in the State: “If at any time the respective appropriating authorities shall fail to make such appropriations, a sufficient sum shall be set apart from the first revenues thereafter received and shall be applied to such purposes. The fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village or school district may be required to set aside and apply such revenues as aforesaid at the suit of any holder of obligations issued for any such indebtedness.” This constitutes a specific non-exclusive constitutional remedy against a defaulting municipality or school district; however, it does not apply in a context in which monies have been appropriated for debt service but the appropriating authorities decline to use such monies to pay debt service. However, Article VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State also provides that the fiscal officer of any county, city, town, village or school district may be required to set apart and apply such revenues at the suit of any holder of any obligations of indebtedness issued with the pledge of the faith of the credit of such political subdivision. See “General Municipal Law Contract Creditors’ Provision” herein.

The Constitutional provision providing for first revenue set asides does not apply to tax anticipation notes, revenue anticipation notes or bond anticipation notes.

### ***Book-Entry-Only System***

In the event the Notes are issued in book-entry form, the Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), Jersey City, New Jersey, will act as securities depository for the Notes. The Notes will be issued as fully-registered notes registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC’s partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered note certificate will be issued for each Note which bears the same rate of interest and CUSIP number, in the aggregate principal amount of such issue, and will be deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world’s largest depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a “clearing agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC’s participants (“Direct Participants”) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants’ accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (“DTCC”). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (“Indirect Participants”). The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com) and [www.dtc.org](http://www.dtc.org).

Purchases of the Notes under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Notes on DTC’s records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each bond (“Beneficial Owner”) is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants’ records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Notes, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Notes deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC’s partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Notes; DTC’s records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Notes are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial

Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Redemption notices shall be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Securities within an issue are being redeemed, DTC's practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such issue to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Notes unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the District as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal and interest payments on the Notes will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the District, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC or the District, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the District, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to the District. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, note certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

The District may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, note certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that the District believes to be reliable, but the District takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

Source: The Depository Trust Company

### ***Certificated Notes***

DTC may discontinue providing its services with respect to the Notes at any time by giving notice to the School District and discharging its responsibilities with respect thereto under applicable law, or the School District may terminate its participation in the system of book-entry-only system transfers through DTC at any time. In the event that such book-entry-only system is utilized and later discontinued, the following provisions will apply: The Notes will be issued in bearer form in denominations of \$5,000 or integral multiples thereof. Principal of and interest on the Notes will be payable at a bank or trust company located and authorized to do business in the State to be named as fiscal agent by the School District. The Notes will remain not subject to redemption prior to their stated final maturity date.

## **MARKET MATTERS AFFECTING FINANCINGS OF MUNICIPALITIES OF THE STATE**

There are certain potential risks associated with an investment in the Notes, and investors should be thoroughly familiar with this Official Statement, including its appendices, in order to make an informed investment decision. Investors should consider, in particular, the following factors:

The District's credit rating could be affected by circumstances beyond the District's control. Economic conditions such as the rate of unemployment and inflation, termination of commercial operations by corporate taxpayers and employers, as well as

natural catastrophes, could adversely affect the assessed valuation of District property and its ability to maintain fund balances and other statistical indices commensurate with its current credit rating. As a consequence, a decline in the District's credit rating could adversely affect the market value of the Notes.

If and when an owner of any of the Notes should elect to sell all or a part of the Notes prior to maturity, there can be no assurance that a market will have been established, maintained and continue in existence for the purchase and sale of any of those Notes. The market value of the Notes is dependent upon the ability of holder to potentially incur a capital loss if such Notes are sold prior to its maturity.

There can be no assurance that adverse events including, for example, the seeking by another municipality in the State or elsewhere of remedies pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Act or otherwise, will not occur which might affect the market price of and the market for the Bonds and the Notes. In particular, if a significant default or other financial crisis should occur in the affairs of the State or any of its municipalities, public authorities or other political subdivisions thereby possibly further impairing the acceptability of obligations issued by those entities, both the ability of the District to arrange for additional borrowing(s) as well as the market for and market value of outstanding debt obligations, including the Notes, could be adversely affected.

The District is dependent in part upon financial assistance from the State in the form of State aid as well as grants and loans to be received ("State Aid"). The District's receipt of State aid may be delayed as a result of the State's failure to adopt its budget timely and/or to appropriate State Aid to municipalities and school districts. Should the District fail to receive all or a portion of the amounts of State Aid expected to be received from the State in the amounts and at the times anticipated, occasioned by a delay in the payment of such moneys or by a reduction in State Aid or its elimination, the District is authorized pursuant to the Local Finance Law ("LFL") to provide operating funds by borrowing in anticipation of the receipt of such uncollected State Aid, however, there can be no assurance that, in such event, the District will have market access for any such borrowing on a cost effective basis. The elimination of or any substantial reduction in State Aid would likely have a materially adverse effect upon the District requiring either a counterbalancing increase in revenues from other sources to the extent available or a curtailment of expenditures. (See also "*State Aid*" herein.)

Future amendments to applicable statutes whether enacted by the State or the United States of America affecting the treatment of interest paid on municipal obligations, including the Notes, for income taxation purposes could have an adverse effect on the market value of the Notes (see "*Tax Matters*" herein).

The enactment of the Tax Levy Limit Law, which imposes a tax levy limitation upon municipalities, school districts and fire districts in the State, including the District, without providing exclusion for debt service on obligations issued by municipalities and fire districts, may affect the market price and/or marketability for the Notes. (See "*The Tax Levy Limit Law*" herein.)

Federal or State legislation imposing new or increased mandatory expenditures by municipalities, school districts and fire districts in the State, including the District could impair the financial condition of such entities, including the District and the ability of such entities, including the District to pay debt service on the Notes.

An outbreak of disease or similar public health threat, such as the COVID-19 outbreak, or fear of such an event, could have an adverse impact on the District's financial condition and operating results by potentially delaying the receipt of real property taxes or resulting in a delay or reduction by the State in the payment of State aid. Currently, the COVID-19 outbreak has spread globally, including to the United States, and has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization. The outbreak of the disease has affected travel, commerce and financial markets globally and is widely expected to continue to affect economic growth worldwide. The outbreak caused the Federal government to declare a national state of emergency, which was followed by the enactment of a variety of stimulus measures designed to address financial stability and liquidity issues caused by the outbreak. The State also declared a state of emergency and the Governor has taken steps designed to mitigate the spread and impacts of COVID-19, including closing schools and non-essential businesses. Efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 has reduced the spread of the virus in some areas and there have been recent efforts to relax some of the restrictions put in place following the initial outbreak. Nevertheless, the outbreak of COVID-19 and the dramatic steps taken by the Federal government and State to address it are expected to negatively impact federal and local economies, including the economy of the State. The full impact of COVID-19 on the State's operations and financial condition is not expected to be known for some time. Similarly, the degree of the impact to the District's operations and finances as a result of COVID-19 is extremely difficult to predict due to the uncertainties relating to its (i) duration, and (ii) severity, as well as with regard to what actions have been or may continue to be taken by governmental and other health care authorities, including the State, to contain or mitigate its impact. The spread of the outbreak or resurgence later in the year could have a material adverse effect on the State and municipalities and school districts located in the State, including the District. The District is monitoring the

situation and will take such proactive measures as may be required to maintain its operations and meet its obligations. (See “State Aid” and “Events Affecting New York School Districts” herein).

## **THE STATE COMPTROLLER’S FISCAL STRESS MONITORING SYSTEM AND STATE COMPTROLLER’S COMPLIANCE REVIEWS**

The New York State Comptroller has reported that New York State’s school districts and municipalities are facing significant fiscal challenges. As a result, the Office of the State Comptroller (“OSC”) has developed a Fiscal Stress Monitoring System (“FSMS”) to provide independent, objectively measured and quantifiable information to school district and municipal officials, taxpayers and policy makers regarding the various levels of fiscal stress under which the State’s school districts and municipalities are operating.

The fiscal stress scores are based on financial information submitted as part of each school district’s ST-3 report filed with the State Education Department annually, and each municipality’s annual report filed with the State Comptroller. Using financial indicators that include year-end fund balance, cash position and patterns of operating deficits, the system creates an overall fiscal stress score which classifies whether a school district or municipality is in “significant fiscal stress,” in “moderate fiscal stress,” as “susceptible to fiscal stress” or “no designation.” Entities that do not accumulate the number of points that would place them in a stress category will receive a financial score but will be classified in a category of “no designation.” This classification should not be interpreted to imply that the entity is completely free of fiscal stress conditions. Rather, the entity’s financial information, when objectively scored according to the FSMS criteria, did not generate sufficient points to place them in one of the three established stress categories.

The most current applicable report of the State Comptroller designates the District as “No Designation” with a Fiscal Score of 6.7% and an Environmental Score of 5.0%.

See the State Comptroller’s official website for more information on FSMS. Reference to this website implies no warranty of accuracy of information therein, nor inclusion herein by reference.

## **TAX MATTERS**

### ***Opinion of Bond Counsel***

In the opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP (“Bond Counsel”), based upon an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings, and court decisions, and assuming, among other matters, the accuracy of certain representations and compliance with certain covenants, interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”) and is exempt from personal income taxes imposed by the State of New York or any political subdivision thereof (including The City of New York). Bond Counsel is of the further opinion that interest on the Notes is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. A complete copy of the proposed form of opinion of Bond Counsel is set forth in Appendix D hereto.

The Code imposes various restrictions, conditions and requirements relating to the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on obligations such as the Notes. The School District has covenanted to comply with certain restrictions designed to insure that interest on the Notes will not be included in federal gross income. Failure to comply with these covenants may result in interest on the Notes being included in gross income for federal income tax purposes possibly from the date of original issuance of the Notes. The opinion of Bond Counsel assumes compliance with these covenants. Bond Counsel has not undertaken to determine (or to inform any person) whether any actions taken (or not taken) or events occurring (or not occurring) after the date of issuance of the Notes may adversely affect the value of, or the tax status of interest on, the Notes. Further, no assurance can be given that pending or future legislation or amendments to the Code, if enacted into law, or any proposed legislation or amendments to the Code, will not adversely affect the value of, or the tax status of interest on, the Notes.

Certain requirements and procedures contained or referred to in the Arbitrage Certificate, and other relevant documents may be changed and certain actions (including, without limitation, economic defeasance of the Notes) may be taken or omitted under the circumstances and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in such documents. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any Notes or the interest thereon if any such change occurs or action is taken or omitted.

Although Bond Counsel is of the opinion that interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is excluded from adjusted gross income for federal income taxes imposed by the State of New York and The City of New York, the ownership or disposition of, or the amount accrual or receipt of interest on, the Notes may otherwise affect a Owner's federal or state tax liability. The nature and extent of these other tax consequences will depend upon the particular tax status of the Owner or the Owner's other items of income or deduction. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion regarding any such other tax consequences.

Current and future legislative proposals, if enacted into law, clarification of the Code or court decisions may cause interest on the Note to be subject, directly or indirectly, to federal income taxation or to be subject to or exempted from state income taxation, or otherwise prevent Beneficial Owners from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. The introduction or enactment of any such legislative proposals, clarification of the Code or court decisions may also affect, perhaps significantly, the market price for, or marketability of, the Notes. Prospective purchasers of the Notes should consult their own tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed federal or state tax legislation, regulations or litigation, and regarding the impact of future legislation, regulations or litigation, as to which Bond Counsel expresses no opinion.

### **MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

Capital Markets Advisors, LLC (the "Municipal Advisor"), serves as independent financial advisor to the School District on matters relating to debt management. The Municipal Advisor is a financial advisory and consulting organization and is not engaged in the business of underwriting, marketing, or trading municipal securities or any other negotiated instruments. The Municipal Advisor has provided advice as to the plan of financing and the structuring of the Notes and has reviewed and commented on certain legal documents, including this Official Statement. The advice on the plan of financing and the structuring of the Notes was based on materials provided by the School District and other sources of information believed to be reliable. The Municipal Advisor has not audited, authenticated, or otherwise verified the information provided by the School District or the information set forth in this Official Statement or any other information available to the School District with respect to the appropriateness, accuracy, or completeness of disclosure of such information and no guarantee, warranty, or other representation is made by the Municipal Advisor respecting the accuracy and completeness of or any other matter related to such information and this Official Statement.

### **LEGAL MATTERS**

Legal matters incident to the authorization, issuance and sale of the Notes are subject to the approving legal opinion of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Bond Counsel. Bond Counsel's opinion will be in substantially the form attached hereto as Appendix D.

### **CYBERSECURITY**

The District, like many other public and private entities, relies on technology to conduct its operations. As a recipient and provider of personal, private, or sensitive information, the District faces multiple cyber threats including, but not limited to, hacking, viruses, malware and other attacks on computer and other sensitive digital networks and systems. To mitigate the risk of business operations impact and/or damage from cyber incidents or cyber-attacks, the District invests in various forms of cybersecurity and operational controls; however, no assurances can be given that such security and operational control measures will be completely successful to guard against cyber threats and attacks. The results of any such attack could impact business operations and/or damage District digital networks and systems and the costs of remedying any such damage could be substantial. The District invests in cyber insurance policies to help with business interruption and credit monitoring if compromised.

### **LITIGATION**

The School District is subject to a number of lawsuits in the ordinary conduct of its affairs. The School District does not believe, however, that such suits, individually or in the aggregate, are likely to have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the School District.

There is no action, suit, proceedings or investigation, at law or in equity, before or by any court, public board or body pending or, to the best knowledge of the School District, threatened against or affecting the School District to restrain or enjoin the

issuance, sale or delivery of the Notes or the levy and collection of taxes or assessments to pay same, or in any way contesting or affecting the validity of the Notes or any proceedings or authority of the School District taken with respect to the authorization, issuance or sale of the Notes or contesting the corporate existence or boundaries of the School District.

### **MATERIAL EVENT NOTICES**

In accordance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12, as the same may be amended or officially interpreted from time to time, (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"), pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the School District has agreed to provide, or cause to be provided, in a timely manner not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event, during the period in which the Note is outstanding, to the Electronic Municipal Markets Access ("EMMA") system of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") or any other entity designated or authorized by the Commission to receive reports pursuant to the Rule, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Notes:

- (a) principal and interest payment delinquencies
- (b) non-payment related defaults, if material
- (c) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties
- (d) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties
- (e) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform
- (f) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701 TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Notes, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Notes.
- (g) modifications to rights of Note holders, if material
- (h) Note calls, if material and tender offers
- (i) defeasances
- (j) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Notes
- (k) rating changes
- (l) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the School District
- (m) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the School District or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the School District, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material
- (n) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material
- (o) incurrence of a "financial obligation" (as defined in the "Rule") of the District, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights or other similar terms of a financial obligation, any of which affect noteholders, if material;
- (p) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms or other similar events under a financial obligation of the District, if any such event reflects financial difficulties

Event (c) is included pursuant to a letter from the SEC staff to the National Association of Bond Lawyers dated September 19, 1995. However, event (c) is not applicable, since no "debt service reserves" will be established for the Notes.

With respect to event (d) the School District does not undertake to provide any notice with respect to credit enhancement added after the primary offering of the Notes.

With respect to event (I) above, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the School District in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or government authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the School District, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the School District.

The School District may from time to time choose to provide notice of the occurrence of certain other events, in addition to those listed above, if the School District determines that any such other event is material with respect to the Notes; but the School District does not undertake to commit to provide any such notice of the occurrence of any material event except those events listed above.

The School District reserves the right to terminate its obligations to provide the afore described notices of events, as set forth above, if and when the School District no longer remains an obligated person with respect to the Notes within the meaning of the Rule. The School District acknowledges that its undertaking pursuant to the Rule described under this heading is intended to be for the benefit of the holders of the Notes (including holders of beneficial interests in the Notes). The right of holders of the Notes to enforce the provisions of the undertaking will be limited to a right to obtain specific enforcement of the School District's obligations under its material event notices undertaking and any failure by the School District to comply with the provisions of the undertaking will neither be a default with respect to the Notes nor entitle any holder of the Notes to recover monetary damages.

The School District reserves the right to modify from time to time the specific types of information provided or the format of the presentation of such information, to the extent necessary or appropriate in the judgment of the School District; provided that the School District agrees that any such modification will be done in a manner consistent with the Rule.

An "Undertaking to Provide Notice of Material Events" to this effect shall be provided to the purchaser(s) at closing.

The District has reviewed and modified its continuing disclosure practices to ensure that all annual filings and all material event notices are filed in a timely manner and, to the extent necessary, has also corrected any past failures to file.

## **RATING**

The District did not apply to Moody's Investor's Service, Inc. ("Moody's") for a rating on the Notes.

The District's underlying credit rating from Moody's is "Aa2".

Such rating reflects only the view of such organization, and an explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained only from such rating agency, at the following address: Moody's Investors Service, Inc., 7 World Trade Center at 250 Greenwich Street, New York, New York 10007. There can be no assurance that such rating will continue for any specified period of time or that such rating will not be revised or withdrawn, if in the judgment of Moody's circumstances so warrant. Any such change or withdrawal of such rating may have an adverse effect on the market price of such Notes or the availability of a secondary market for the Notes.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Statements in the Official Statement, and the documents included by specific reference, that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements", within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, which involve a number of risks and uncertainties, and which are based on the School District management's beliefs as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, the School District management and staff. Because the statements are based on expectations about future events and economic performance and are not statements of fact, actual results may differ materially from those projected. Important factors that could cause future results to differ include legislative and regulatory changes, changes in the economy, and other factors discussed in this and other documents that the School District files with the repositories. When used in School District documents or oral presentation, the words

“anticipate”, “believe”, “intend”, “plan”, “foresee”, “likely”, estimate”, “expect”, “objective”, “projection”, “forecast”, “goal”, “will, or “should”, or similar words or phrases are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

To the extent any statements made in this Official Statement involve matters of opinion or estimates, whether or not expressly stated, they are set forth as such and not as representations of fact, and no representation is made that any of the statements will be realized. Neither this Official Statement nor any statement which may have been made verbally or in writing is to be construed as a contract with the holder of the Notes.

Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, New York, New York, bond counsel to the School District, expresses no opinion as to the accuracy or completeness of information in any documents prepared by or on behalf of the School District for use in connection with the offer and sale of the Notes, including but not limited to, the financial or statistical information in this Official Statement.

References herein to the Constitution of the State and various State and federal laws are only brief outlines of certain provisions thereof and do not purport to summarize or describe all of such provisions.

Concurrently with the delivery of the Notes, the School District will furnish a certificate to the effect that as of the date of the Official Statement, the Official Statement did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements herein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, subject to limitation as to information in the Official Statement obtained from sources other than the School District, as to which no representation can be made.

The Official Statement is submitted only in connection with the sale of the Notes by the School District and may not be reproduced or used in whole or in part for any other purpose.

The School District hereby disclaims any obligation to update developments of the various risk factors or to announce publicly any revision to any of the forward-looking statements contained herein or to make corrections to reflect future events or developments except to the extent required by Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Capital Markets Advisors, LLC may place a copy of this Official Statement on its website at [www.capmark.org](http://www.capmark.org). Unless this Official Statement specifically indicates otherwise, no statement on such website is included by specific reference or constitutes a part of this Official Statement. Capital Markets Advisors, LLC has prepared such website information for convenience, but no decisions should be made in reliance upon that information. Typographical or other errors may have occurred in converting original sourced documents to digital format, and neither the School District nor Capital Markets Advisors, LLC assumes any liability or responsibility for errors or omissions on such website. Further, Capital Markets Advisors, LLC and the School District disclaims any duty or obligation either to update or to maintain the information or any responsibility or liability for any damages caused by viruses in the electronic files on the website. Capital Markets Advisors, LLC and the School District also assumes no liability or responsibility for any errors or omissions or for any updates to dated website information.

Additional information may be obtained upon request from the School District’s Financial Advisor, Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, at (516) 364-6363 or from the District Treasurer at (631) 893-7938.

**BABYLON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Dated: Babylon, New York  
September 16, 2021**

**CAROL DELL’ERBA  
President, Board of Education**

**APPENDIX A**

**THE DISTRICT**

## **THE DISTRICT**

### ***General Information***

The Babylon School District is located on the south shore of Long Island, approximately 39 miles east of New York City. The School District has a land area of approximately 2.8 square miles and a population estimated at 11,636. Approximately 90% of the Village of Babylon is located within the School District.

The southern boundary of the School District is the Great South Bay, which in addition to recreational facilities, provides School District residents access to Fire Island by ferry service. Located in the Town of Babylon, the School District is bounded by the West Islip School District to the east; North Babylon School District to the North; and by the West Babylon School District to the west.

The Village of Babylon and the Town of Babylon provide recreational facilities including fishing, boating and swimming. A swimming pool, bathing beach and various activities such as basketball, handball, arts and crafts, gymnastics, softball and tennis programs are offered to residents. Also, six mini-parks and a marina are maintained.

North-south travel is afforded by Deer Park Avenue, NY Route 231, Fire Island Avenue and Little East Neck Road. East-west arteries include NY Route 27A (Main Street). The Long Island Railroad provides frequent electrified service from Babylon to New York City and diesel service to points east. Bus service is available to local points.

The School District is predominantly residential. However, at the center of the Village of Babylon there is an active business and shopping area which provides employment opportunities to School District residents and attracts shoppers from neighboring communities.

Police protection is provided by the County of Suffolk. Fire protection is provided by the Village of Babylon and outside the Village by fire districts.

According to the 2010 US Census, median housing values and income levels for the Village of Babylon are well above County, State and US averages (see “Comparative Housing and Income Data” below).

### ***Comparative Housing and Income Data***

	<u>Village of Babylon</u>	<u>Suffolk County</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
<u>Housing:</u>				
% Owner Occupied Housing Units	75	79	54	64
Median Value Housing (\$)	442,900	383,400	288,200	176,700
Median Gross Rent (\$)	1,453	1,495	1,088	904
<u>Income:</u>				
Per Capita Income (\$)	43,541	36,945	32,382	28,155
Median Family Income	115,754	100,652	70,670	64,719
% Below Poverty Level	5.2	6.4	15.3	15.4

Source: 2010 Census of Population and Housing, US Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

### ***Form of School Government***

Subject to the provisions of the State Constitution, the District operates pursuant to the Education Law, the Local Finance Law, other laws generally applicable to the District, and any special laws applicable to the School District. Under such laws, there is no authority for the District to have a charter or adopt local laws.

The legislative power of the District is vested in the Board of Education. Each year an election is held within the District boundaries to elect members to the Board of Education. They are elected for a term of three years.

Each year, the Board of Education meets for the purpose of reorganization. At that time an election is held within the Board to elect a president and vice president, as well as to appoint a District Clerk and District Treasurer.

## ***Budgetary Procedures***

Pursuant to the Education Law, the Board of Education annually prepares a detailed statement of estimated sums necessary for the various expenditures of the District for the ensuing fiscal year (tentative budget) and distributes that statement not less than seven days prior to the date on which the annual school election is conducted, at which the tentative budget is voted upon. Notice of the annual election is published as required by statute with a first publication not less than forty-five days prior to the day of election.

If the qualified voters at the annual election approve the tentative budget, the Board of Education, by resolution, adopts the tentative budget of the District for the ensuing year. In the event the tentative budget is disapproved by a majority of the voters, the Board of Education may call and hold subsequent elections on a budget. See “*The Tax Levy Limit Law*” herein for a discussion of limits on the tax levy in the event of a contingent budget.

Pursuant to a new superseded Executive Order, school district elections and budget votes that normally would have been held on May 19, 2020 were postponed until June 16, 2020. At such time, the District’s 2020-2021 budget was adopted by voters of the District. On May 18, 2021 voters of the District approved the District’s 2021-2022 budget. A summary of the 2020-2021 Adopted Budget and the 2021-2022 Adopted Budget is available in Appendix B.

## ***State Aid***

The District receives appropriations from the State of State aid for operating, building and other purposes at various times throughout its fiscal year, pursuant to formulas and payment schedules set forth by statute. While the State has a constitutional duty to maintain and support a system of free common schools that provides a “sound basic education” to children of the State, there can be no assurance that the State appropriation for State aid to school districts will be continued in future years, either pursuant to existing formulas or in any form whatsoever. State aid appropriated and apportioned to the school districts can be paid only if the State has such monies available for such payment.

The following table sets forth total general fund revenues and State aid revenues during the last five fiscal years, and the amounts budgeted for the most recent and current fiscal years.

### **State Aid**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Total Revenues<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>Total State Aid</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Revenues Consisting of State Aid</u>
2016	\$47,519,009	\$8,082,496	17.0%
2017	48,483,378	8,581,702	17.7
2018	50,210,540	8,917,146	17.8
2019	51,432,500	8,756,437	17.0
2020	52,556,861	9,070,158	17.2
2021 (Adopted Budget)	55,602,506	9,735,262	17.5
2022 (Adopted Budget)	56,414,443	9,983,949	17.7

(1) General Fund.

Source: Audited Financial Statements and Adopted Budgets of the District. Summary itself is not audited

In addition to the amount of State Aid budgeted annually by the District, the State makes payments of STAR aid representing tax savings provided by school districts to their taxpayers under the STAR Program (See “*STAR – School Tax Exemption*” herein). The District expects to receive timely STAR aid from the State for the current fiscal year.

The amount of State aid to school districts is dependent in part upon the financial condition of the State. Due to the outbreak of COVID-19 the State has declared a state of emergency and the Governor took steps designed to mitigate the spread and impacts of COVID-19, including closing schools and non-essential businesses. The outbreak of COVID-19 and the dramatic steps taken by the State to address it are expected to negatively impact the State’s economy and financial condition. The full impact of COVID-19 upon the State is not expected to be known for some time; however, it is anticipated that the State will be required to take certain gap-closing actions. Such actions may include, but are not limited to: reductions in State agency operations and/or delays or reductions in payments to local governments or other recipients of State aid including school

districts in the State. Reductions in the payment of State aid could adversely affect the financial condition of school districts in the State, including the District.

The State's 2020-21 Enacted Budget authorized the State's Budget Director to make periodic adjustments to State aid in the event that actual State revenues came in below 99% of estimates or if actual disbursements exceeded 101% of estimates. Pursuant to that provision, in October 2020, the State announced that, in the absence of Federal funding to offset such lost revenue, the State had begun to take steps to reduce spending, including but not limited to, temporarily holding back 20% of most aid payments to local governments and school districts. In December 2020, a second federal stimulus bill was enacted and provided additional funding for schools in the State. As of February 1, 2021, the State Education Department ("SED") advised school districts that the State Division of the Budget would, at some point, provide approval for SED to make the payments to school districts for State aid and other Pre-K-12 grant programs that had been subject to the above referenced 20% withholding. Such approval was received and the State did release all of the withheld funds by June 30, 2021.

The State's 2021-22 Enacted Budget provides \$29.5 billion in State funding to school districts for the 2021-22 school year the highest level of State aid ever. This represents an increase of \$3.0 billion or 11.3 percent compared to the 2020-21 school year, and includes a \$1.4 billion or 7.6 percent Foundation Aid increase. Approximately 75 percent of this increase is targeted to high-need school districts. The State's 2021-22 Enacted Budget also programs \$13 billion of federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund and the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund to public schools. This funding available for use over multiple years, is designed to assist schools to reopen for in-person instruction, address learning loss, and respond to students' academic, social, and emotional needs due to the disruptions of the COVID-19 pandemic. The State's 2021-22 Enacted Budget allocates \$629 million of these funds to school districts as targeted grants to support efforts to address learning loss through activities such as summer enrichment and comprehensive after-school programs. In addition, the State's 2021-22 Enacted Budget uses \$105 million of federal funds to expand access to full-day prekindergarten programs for four-year-old children in school districts statewide in the 2021-22 school year.

The amount of State aid to school districts can vary from year to year and is dependent in part upon the financial condition of the State. During the 2011 to 2019 fiscal years of the State, State aid to school districts was paid in a timely manner; however, during the State's 2010 and 2020 fiscal years, State budgetary restrictions resulted in delayed payments of State aid to school districts in the State. In addition, the availability of State aid and the timeliness of payment of State aid to school districts could be affected by a delay in adoption of the State budget, which is due at the start of the State's fiscal year of April 1. The State's budget has been adopted by April 1 or shortly thereafter for over ten (10) years. The State's 2021-22 Enacted Budget was adopted on April 7, 2021. No assurance can be given that the State will not experience delays in the adoption of the budget in future fiscal years. Significant delays in the adoption of the State budget could result in delayed payment of State aid to school districts in the State which could adversely affect the financial condition of school districts in the State.

The State receives a substantial amount of federal aid for health care, education, transportation and other governmental purposes, as well as federal funding to respond to, and recover from, the COVID-19 pandemic, severe weather events and other disasters. Many of the policies that drive this federal aid may be subject to change under the federal administration and Congress. Current federal aid projections, and the assumptions on which they rely, are subject to revision. Reductions in federal funding levels could have a materially adverse impact on the State budget.

There can be no assurance that the State's financial position will not change materially and adversely from current projections. If this were to occur, the State would be required to take additional gap-closing actions. Such actions may include, but are not limited to: reductions in State agency operations; delays or reductions in payments to local governments or other recipients of State aid including school districts in the State. Reductions in the payment of State aid could adversely affect the financial condition of school districts in the State.

Should the District fail to receive State aid expected from the State in the amounts and at the times expected, occasioned by a delay in the payment of such monies or by a mid-year reduction in State aid, the District is authorized by the Local Finance Law to provide operating funds by borrowing in anticipation of the receipt of uncollected State aid.

### ***Events Affecting State Aid to New York School Districts***

Following a State budgetary crisis in 2009, State aid to school districts in the State decreased for a number of years with increases established in more recent years. However, as discussed below the COVID-19 outbreak has affected and is expected to continue to affect State aid to school district.

*School district fiscal year (2016-2017):* The State Legislature adopted the State budget on March 31, 2016. The budget included an increase of \$991 million in State aid for school districts over the State's 2015-16 Enacted Budget, \$863 million of which consisted of traditional operating aid. In addition to the \$408 million of expense based aid, the State's 2016-17 Enacted

Budget included a \$266 million increase in Foundation Aid and a \$189 million restoration to the Gap Elimination Adjustment. The majority of the remaining increase related to (\$100 million) Community Schools Aid, a newly adopted aid category, to support school districts that wish to create community schools. The funds may only be used for certain purposes such as providing health, mental health and nutritional services to students and their families.

*School district fiscal year (2017-2018):* The State's 2017-18 Enacted Budget provided for school aid of approximately \$25.8 billion, an increase of \$1.1 billion in school aid spending from the State's 2016-17 Enacted Budget. The majority of the increases were targeted to high need school districts. Expense-based aids to support school construction, pupil transportation, BOCES and special education were continued in full, as was the State's usual practice. Transportation aid increased by 5.5% and building aid increased by 4.8%. The State 2017-18 Enacted Budget continued to link school aid increases for 2017-18 and 2018-19 to teacher and principal evaluation plans approved by September 1 of the current year in compliance with Education Law Section 3012-d.

*School district fiscal year (2018-2019):* The State's 2018-2019 Enacted Budget provided for school aid of approximately \$26.7 billion, an increase of approximately \$1.0 billion in school aid spending from the 2017-2018 school year. The majority of the increases were targeted to high need school districts. Expense-based aids to support school construction, pupil transportation, BOCES and special education were continued in full, as has the State's usual practice. Transportation aid increased by 5.2% and building aid increased by 4.7%. The State 2018-2019 Enacted Budget continued to link school aid increases for 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 to teacher and principal evaluation plans approved by September 1 of the current year in compliance with Education Law Section 3012-d.

*School district fiscal year (2019-2020):* For the 2019-20 school year, the State's Enacted Budget included a total of \$27.9 billion for School Aid, a year-to-year funding increase of approximately \$1.2 billion. The majority of the increases were targeted to high need school districts. Expense-based aids to support school construction, pupil transportation, BOCES and special education continued in full, as is the State's usual practice. Transportation aid increased by approximately 4.5% and building aid increased by approximately 3.7%. The State 2019-2020 Enacted Budget continued to link school aid increases for 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 to teacher and principal evaluation plans approved by September 1 of the current year in compliance with Education Law Section 3012-d.

*School district fiscal year (2020-2021):* Due to the anticipated impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on State revenues, State aid in the State's 2020-2021 Enacted Budget was 3.7 percent lower than in the State's 2019-2020 Enacted Budget but was offset in part with increased Federal support. This reduction in State Operating Funds support was offset by approximately \$1.1 billion in funding provided to the State through the Federal CARES Act, including the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Education Relief Fund and the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund. With these Federal funds, State aid in the school district fiscal year 2020-2021 totaled \$27.9 billion, an annual increase of approximately \$100 million or 0.4 percent. The State's 2020-2021 Enacted Budget continues prior year funding levels for existing programs, including Foundation Aid, Community Schools and Universal Prekindergarten. The 2020-2021 Enacted Budget also provided over \$200 million in support for competitive grant programs, including \$1 million for development of a new Civics Education curriculum and \$10 million for a Student Mental Health program. Funding for expense-based aids, such as Building Aid, Transportation Aid, and Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) Aid continued under existing aid formulas. Out-year growth in School Aid reflected current projections of the ten-year average growth in State personal income. The State's 2020-2021 Enacted Budget authorized the State's Budget Director to make periodic adjustments to State Aid, in the event that actual State revenues come in below 99% percent of estimates or if actual disbursements exceed 101% of estimates. See "*State Aid*" herein for a discussion of this provision set forth in the State's 2020-2021 Enacted Budget.

*School district fiscal year (2021-2022):* For the 2021-2022 school year, the State's Enacted budget provides \$29.5 billion in State funding to school districts for the 2021-2022 school year through School Aid, the highest level of State aid ever, supporting the operational costs of school districts that educate 2.5 million students statewide. This investment represents an increase of 11.3% (\$3.0 billion) compared to the 2020-2021 school year, including a \$1.4 billion (7.6%) Foundation Aid increase. The Enacted budget would allocate \$13 billion of federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief and Governor's Emergency Education Relief funds to public schools. This funding, available for use over multiple years, will help schools safely reopen for in-person instruction, address learning loss, and respond to students' academic, social, and emotional needs due to the disruptions of the COVID- 19 pandemic. The Budget allocates \$629 million of these funds to school districts as targeted grants to support efforts to address learning loss through activities such as summer enrichment and comprehensive after-school programs. In addition, the Budget uses \$105 million of federal funds to expand access to full-day prekindergarten programs for four-year-old children in school districts statewide in the 2021-2022 school year.

The District cannot predict at this time whether there will be any reductions in and/or delays in the receipt of State aid during the remainder of the current fiscal year or in future fiscal years. However, the District believes that it would mitigate the impact of any delays or the reduction in State aid by reducing expenditures, increasing revenues, appropriating other available

funds on hand, and/or by any combination of the foregoing. (See also “*Market Factors Affecting Financing of the State and School Districts of the State*” herein).

The Smart Schools Bond Act (the “SSBA”) was passed as part of the Enacted 2014-2015 State Budget. The Smart Schools Bond Act authorizes the issuance of \$2 billion of general obligation bonds by the State to finance improved educational technology and infrastructure to improve learning and opportunity for students throughout the State.

***School Facilities***

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Capacity</u>
Babylon Junior-Senior High School	7-12	1,360
Memorial Grade School	2-6	950
Elementary School	K-1	410

***Enrollment Trends***

<u>School Year</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>
2015-16	1,608
2016-17	1,614
2017-18	1,591
2018-19	1,573
2019-20	1,561
2020-21	1,514
2021-22 <sup>1)</sup>	1,498
2022-23 <sup>1)</sup>	1,571

(1) Projected.  
Source: District estimates.

***Employees***

The School District provides services through employees whose union representation is as follows:

<u>No. of Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>	<u>Contract Expiration</u>
9	Babylon School Administrators’ Association	June 30, 2023
179	Babylon Teachers' Association	June 30, 2022
23	Babylon Custodial Association	June 30, 2022
24	Babylon Clerical/Nursing Association	June 30, 2022

***Employee Pension Benefits***

New York State Certified (teachers and administrators) are members of the New York State Teachers Retirement System ("TRS"). Payments to the TRS are generally deducted from State aid payments. All non-certified employees of the School District eligible for pension or retirement benefits under the Retirement and Social Security Law of the State of New York are members of the New York State and Local Employee's Retirement System ("ERS"). Both the TRS and ERS (the "State Retirement System" or "SRS") are noncontributory with respect to members hired prior to July 1, 1976. All members of the respective systems that were hired on or after July 1, 1976 and before December 31, 2009, with less than 10 year's full-time service, contribute 3% of their gross annual salary toward the cost of retirement programs.

On December 10, 2009, then Governor Paterson signed into law a new Tier 5. The law is effective for new ERS and TRS employees hired after January 1, 2010. New Tier 5 ERS employees will now contribute 3% of their salaries and new Tier 5 TRS employees will contribute 3.5% of their salaries. There is no provision for these contributions to cease after a certain period of service.

On March 16, 2012, Governor Cuomo signed into law the new Tier 6 pension program, effective for new Tier 5 ERS and TRS employees hired after April 1, 2012. The Tier 6 legislation provides for increased employee contribution rates of between 3%

and 6%, an increase in the retirement age from 62 years to 63 years, a readjustment of the pension multiplier, and a change in the time period for final average salary calculation from 3 years to 5 years. Tier 6 employees will vest in the system after ten years of employment and will continue to make employee contributions throughout employment.

Pension reform legislation enacted in 2003 and 2004 changed the cycle of ERS billing to match budget cycles of the School District. Under the previous method, the School District was unsure of how much it paid to the system until after its budget was implemented. Under the current method the contribution for a given fiscal year will be based on the value of the pension fund on the prior April 1 instead of the following April 1 so that the School District will be able to more accurately include the cost of the contribution into its budget. The reform legislation also (i) required the School District to make a minimum contribution of 4.5% of payroll every year, including years in which the investment performance of the fund would make a lower contribution possible and (ii) moved the annual payment date for contributions from December 15th to February 1st, effective December 15, 2004.

Due to poor performance of the investment portfolio of TRS and ERS during the recent financial crisis, the employer contribution rates for required pension payments to the TRS and ERS increased substantially. To help mitigate the impact of such increases, legislation was enacted that permitted school districts to amortize a portion of its annual employer pension payment to the ERS only. Under such legislation, school districts that choose to amortize were required to set aside and reserve funds with the ERS for certain future rate increases.

The District has not amortized any of its employer pension payments pursuant to this legislation and expects to continue to pay all payments in full when due.

In Spring 2013, the State and TRS approved a Stable Contribution Option (“SCO”) that gives school districts the ability to better manage the spikes in Actuarially Required Contribution rates (“ARCs”). ERS followed suit and modified its existing SCO, which was adopted in 2010. Each plan allows school districts to pay the SCO amount in lieu of the ARC amount, which is higher, and defer the difference in payment amounts as described below. For TRS, the 2013-14 SCO rate was 14%. For ERS, it was 12%.

The TRS SCO deferral plan is available to school districts for the next 7 years. Under the TRS SCO plan, payment of the deferred amount will commence in year six of the program (2018-19) and continue for five years. School districts can elect to no longer participate in the plan at any time, resume paying the ARC and begin repayment of deferred amounts over five years. Under the ERS SCO, payment of deferred amounts begins the year immediately following the deferral and the repayment period is 12 years. Once made, the election to participate in the ERS SCO is permanent. However, the school districts can choose not to defer payment in any given year. In both plans, interest on the deferred amounts is based on the yield of 10-year U.S. Treasury securities plus 1%.

The primary benefit of participation in the SCO plans is the elimination of the uncertainty in the volatility of future pension contribution ARCs in the near term, thereby providing school districts with significant assistance in its ability to create a stable and reliable fiscal plan.

The District does not plan to participate in the TRS or ERS SCO program.

Payments by the School District to the Retirement Systems for the past five years are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>ERS</u>	<u>TRS</u>
2018	598,623	2,501,589
2019	606,453	2,134,365
2020	608,748	2,358,899
2021	643,832	2,063,640
2022 (Budget)	901,890	2,181,194

### ***Other Post Employment Benefits***

The District implemented GASB Statement No. 75 (“GASB 75”) of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”), which replaces GASB Statement No. 45 as of fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. GASB 75 requires state and local governments to account for and report their costs associated with post-retirement healthcare benefits and other non-pension benefits, known as other post-employment benefits (“OPEB”). GASB 75 generally requires that employers account for and report the annual cost of OPEB and the outstanding obligations and commitments related to OPEB similarly to GASB Statement No. 68 reporting requirements for pensions.

GASB 75 requires state and local governments to measure a defined benefit OPEB plan as the portion of the present value of projected benefit payments to be provided to current active and inactive employees, attributable to past periods of service in

order to calculate the total OPEB liability. Total OPEB liability generally is required to be determined through an actuarial valuation using a measurement date that is no earlier than the end of the employer’s prior fiscal year and no later than the end of the employer’s current fiscal year.

GASB 75 requires that most changes in the OPEB liability be included in OPEB expense in the period of the changes. Based on the results of an actuarial valuation, certain changes in the OPEB liability are required to be included in OPEB expense over current and future years.

The District’s total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2020 was \$80,689,157 using a discount rate of 2.21% and actuarial assumptions and other inputs as described in the District’s June 30, 2020 audited financial statements.

Should the District be required to fund the total OPEB liability, it could have a material adverse impact upon the District’s finances and could force the District to reduce services, raise taxes or both. At the present time, however, there is no current or planned requirement for the District to partially fund its OPEB liability.

At this time, New York State has not developed guidelines for the creation and use of irrevocable trusts for the funding of OPEB. The District will continue funding this expenditure on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Legislation has been introduced from time to time to create an optional investment pool to help the State and local governments fund retiree health insurance and OPEB. Such proposed legislation would generally authorize the creation of irrevocable OPEB trusts so that the State and its local governments can help fund their OPEB liabilities, establish an OPEB investment fund in the sole custody of the State Comptroller for the investment of OPEB assets of the State and participating eligible local governments, designate the president of the Civil Service Commission as the trustee of the State’s OPEB trust and the governing boards as trustee for local governments and allow school districts to transfer certain excess reserve balances to an OPEB trust once it is established. Under the proposals, there would be no limits on how much a local government can deposit into the trust. The District cannot predict whether such legislation will be enacted into law in the foreseeable future.

***Unemployment Rate Statistics***

Unemployment statistics are not available for the District as such. The information set forth below with respect to the County of Suffolk is included for information purposes only. It should not be implied from the inclusion of such data in this Official Statement that the County is necessarily representative of the District, or vice versa.

	<u>Year Average</u>				
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Suffolk County	4.4%	4.5%	3.9%	3.7%	8.5%
New York State	4.8%	4.7%	4.1%	4.1%	10.0%

  

	<u>2021 Monthly Figures</u>						
	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>Jun</u>	<u>Jul</u>
Suffolk County	6.4%	6.9%	6.1%	5.3%	4.7%	5.0%	5.3%
New York State	9.4%	9.7%	8.4%	7.7%	7.0%	7.2%	7.4%

Source: State of New York, Department of Labor. (Note: Figures not seasonally adjusted).

***Other Information***

The statutory authority for the power to spend money for the object or purpose, or to accomplish the object or purpose, for which the Notes are to be issued is the Education Law and the Local Finance Law.

This Official Statement does not include the financial data of any political subdivision having power to levy taxes within the School District except the information included in the section entitled “Estimated Overlapping Indebtedness”.

No principal or interest upon any obligation of the School District is past due.

The fiscal year of the School District is July 1 to June 30.

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

### ***Revenues, Expenditures and Fund Balance - General Fund***

School District finances are operated primarily through its General Fund. All taxes and most other revenues are paid into this fund and all current operating expenditures are made from it. (A statement of such revenues and expenditures for the five year period ending June 30, 2020 is contained in the Appendix B). The School District also has the following funds: School lunch, Trust and Agency, and Special Aid.

### ***Financial Statements***

The School District retains Independent Certified Public Accountants. The last audited report covers the period ending June 30, 2020 and is available upon request from the School District's Financial Advisor, Capital Markets Advisors, LLC, at (516) 364-6363 or from the District Treasurer at (631) 893-7938. In addition, the State Comptroller's office, Department of Audit and Control, periodically performs a compliance review to ascertain whether the School District has complied with the requirements of various State and Federal statutes.

### ***Investment Policy***

The School District investment policies are governed by State statutes. The School District has adopted its own written investment policy which provides for the deposit of funds in FDIC insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the State. The School District is authorized to use demand accounts, savings accounts, money market accounts and certificates of deposit. Permissible investments include obligations of the U.S. Treasury, U.S. Agencies and obligations of New York State or its political subdivisions.

Collateral is required for demand, savings and certificates of deposit at 100% of all deposits not covered by federal deposit insurance. The District has entered into custodial agreements with the various banks which hold their deposits. These agreements authorize the obligations that may be pledged as collateral. Such obligations include, among other instruments, obligations of the United States and its agencies and obligations of the State and its municipal and school district subdivisions.

The School District's policy does not permit the School District to invest in so-called derivatives or reverse repurchase agreements and the School District has never invested in derivatives or reverse repurchase agreements.

## **TAX INFORMATION**

### ***Valuations, Tax Levy, Tax Rates and Uncollected Taxes***

Year Ending June 30:	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Taxable Assessed Valuation:	\$18,347,795	\$18,420,173	\$18,606,816	\$18,807,039	\$18,968,200
New York State Equalization Rate:	1.12%	1.07%	0.97%	0.91%	0.87%
Full Valuation:	\$1,638,195,982	\$1,721,511,495	\$1,918,228,454	\$2,066,707,582	\$2,180,252,873
Tax Levy: <sup>1</sup>	\$39,085,906	\$40,517,723	\$41,815,264	\$42,706,928	\$43,909,200
Tax Rate Per \$1,000 Assessed Valuation:	2,130.28	\$2,199.64	\$2,247.31	\$2,270.79	\$2,314.85
Uncollected Taxes: <sup>2</sup>	None	None	None	None	None

<sup>1</sup> General Fund.

<sup>2</sup> Represents amounts uncollected by the School District at the end of each fiscal year. See "Tax Collection Procedure".

## ***Tax Limit***

The Constitution does not limit the amount that may be raised by the District-wide tax levy on real estate in any fiscal year. However, the Tax Levy Limit Law imposes a statutory limit on the amount of real property taxes that a school district may levy. (See “*The Tax Levy Limit Law*” herein).

## ***The Tax Levy Limit Law***

Chapter 97 of the New York Laws of 2011, as amended (herein referred to as the “Tax Levy Limit Law” or “Law”) modified previous law by imposing a limit on the amount of real property taxes that a school district may levy.

Prior to the enactment of the Law, there was no statutory limitation on the amount of real property taxes that a school district could levy if its budget had been approved by a simple majority of its voters. In the event the budget had been defeated by the voters, the school district was required to adopt a contingency budget. Under a contingency budget, school budget increases were limited to the lesser of four percent (4%) of the prior year’s budget or one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the consumer price index (“CPI”).

Under the Tax Levy Limit Law, there is now a limitation on the amount of tax levy growth from one fiscal year to the next. Such limitation is the lesser of (i) 2% or (ii) the annual percentage increase in the consumer price index, subject to certain exclusions as mentioned below and as described in the Law. A budget with a tax levy that does not exceed such limit will require approval by at least 50% of the voters. Approval by at least 60% of the voters will be required for a budget with a tax levy in excess of the limit. In the event the voters reject the budget, the tax levy for the school district’s budget for the ensuing fiscal year may not exceed the amount of the tax levy for the prior fiscal year. School districts will be permitted to carry forward a certain portion of their unused tax levy limitation from a prior year.

The Law permits certain significant exclusions to the tax levy limit for school districts. These include taxes to pay the local share of debt service on bonds or notes issued to finance voter approved capital expenditures, and the refinancing or refunding of such bonds or notes certain pension cost increases, and other items enumerated in the Law. However, such exclusion does NOT apply to taxes to pay debt service on tax anticipation notes (such as the Notes), revenue anticipation notes, budget notes and deficiency notes; and any obligations issued to finance deficits and certain judgments, including tax certiorari refund payments.

## ***Tax Collection Procedure***

Property taxes for the District, together with Town and County taxes are collected by the Town Tax Receiver. Such taxes are due and payable in equal installments on December 1 and May 10, but may be paid without penalty by January 10 and May 31, respectively. Penalties on unpaid taxes are 1% per month from the date such taxes are due and payable and 10% after May 31.

The District receives its full levy before the end of its fiscal year. Uncollected amounts are not segregated by the Town Tax Receiver, and any deficiency in tax collection is the County’s liability.

## ***STAR - School Tax Exemption***

The STAR (School Tax Relief) program provides State-funded exemptions from school property taxes to homeowners for their primary residences. Homeowners over 65 years of age with household adjusted gross incomes, less the taxable amount of total distributions from individual retirement accounts and individual retirement annuities (“STAR Adjusted Gross Income”) of \$86,000 or less, increased annually according to a cost of living adjustment, are eligible for a “full value” exemption of the first \$65,300 for the 2016-17 school year (adjusted annually). Other homeowners with household STAR Adjusted Gross income not in excess of \$500,000 are eligible for a \$30,000 “full value” exemption on their primary residence. School districts receive full reimbursement from the State for real property taxes exempted pursuant to the STAR program by the first business day in January of each year.

Part A of Chapter 60 of the New York Laws of 2016 of the State of New York (“Chapter 60”) gradually converts the STAR program from a real property tax exemption to a personal income tax credit. Chapter 60 prohibits new STAR exemptions from being granted unless at least one of the applicants held title to the property on the taxable status date of the assessment roll that was used to levy school district taxes for the 2015-2016 school year (generally, March 1, 2015), and the property was granted a STAR exemption on that assessment roll. However, a new homeowner may receive a new personal income tax

credit in the form of a check. The dollar benefit to eligible taxpayers will not change. A taxpayer who is eligible for the new credit will receive a check from the State equal to the amount by which the STAR exemption would have reduced his or her school tax bill. A homeowner who owned his or her home on the taxable status date for the assessment roll used to levy taxes for the 2015-2016 school year, and who received a STAR exemption on that roll, may continue to receive a STAR exemption on that home as long as he or she still owns and primarily resides in it. No further action is required (unless the homeowner has been receiving Basic STAR and wants to apply for Enhanced STAR, which is permissible).

The State 2017-18 Enacted Budget included changes to Chapter 60. STAR checks are now expected to be mailed out prior to the date that school taxes are payable. The amount of the check will be based on the previous year’s amount adjusted by the levy growth factor used for the property tax cap. Any changes that must be made based on the final STAR credit compared to the estimate used will be factored into the subsequent year’s STAR credit check or taxpayers also may account for those changes in their State income taxes.

Approximately 6.5% of the District’s 2020-2021 school tax levy was exempted by the STAR program and the District has received full reimbursement of such exempt taxes from the State. Approximately 5.7% of the District’s 2020-2021 school tax levy will be exempted by the STAR program and the District expects to receive full reimbursement of such exempt taxes from the State in January, 2022. (See “*State Aid*” herein).

***Larger Taxpayers***

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>2019-2020 Assessed Valuation</u>
PSEG Long Island	Public Utility	\$233,399
David I. Schachne & M. Broxmeyer	Apartments	140,020
National Grid	Public Utility	111,956
Fairfield Court LLC	Apartments	89,200
Len Realty Co.	Apartments	84,000
494 Fire Island Ave LLC	Commercial	50,080
West Babylon Associates	Commercial	49,500
369 Little East Neck Road Inc.	Commercial	46,700
Cardio Realty LLC	Commercial	41,200
Fairfield Babylon Harbor LLC	Apartments	<u>39,850</u>
		\$885,905

**RISK FACTORS**

An outbreak of disease or similar public health threat, such as the COVID-19 outbreak, or fear of such an event, could have an adverse impact on the District’s financial condition and operating results by potentially delaying the receipt of real property taxes or resulting in a delay or reduction by the State in the payment of State aid. Currently, the COVID-19 outbreak has spread globally, including to the United States, and has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization. The outbreak of the disease has affected travel, commerce and financial markets globally and is widely expected to continue to affect economic growth worldwide. The outbreak caused the Federal government to declare a national state of emergency, which was followed by the enactment of a variety of stimulus measures designed to address financial stability and liquidity issues caused by the outbreak. The State also declared a state of emergency and the Governor took steps designed to mitigate the spread and impacts of COVID-19, including closing schools and non-essential businesses. Efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 has reduced the spread of the virus in some areas and there have been efforts to relax some of the restrictions put in place following the initial outbreak. Nevertheless, the outbreak of COVID-19 and the dramatic steps taken by the Federal government and State to address it are expected to negatively impact federal and local economies, including the economy of the State. The full impact of COVID-19 on the State’s operations and financial condition is not expected to be known for some time. Similarly, the degree of the impact to the District’s operations and finances as a result of COVID-19 is extremely difficult to predict due to the uncertainties relating to its (i) duration, and (ii) severity, as well as with regard to what actions have been or may continue to be taken by governmental and other health care authorities, including the State, to contain or mitigate its impact. The spread of the outbreak or resurgence later in the year could have a material adverse effect on the State and municipalities and school districts located in the State, including the District. The District is monitoring the

situation and will take such proactive measures as may be required to maintain its operations and meet its obligations. (See also “*Impact of COVID 19*” and “*Event Affecting New York School Districts*” herein.)

### ***Impacts of COVID-19***

The District has incurred certain expenses associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, including but not limited to, costs related to PPE and supplies, polycarbonate barriers, classroom desks/chairs, tents, health screening software, mobile SMARTboards & laptops, electrostatic sprayers, health & safety signage/floor stickers, wall mounted hand sanitizer units, mobile hand sanitizer stands, IT hardware/access points and temperature scanners, among others. The District has paid such costs from budgetary appropriations and/or available funds. The Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA) has allocated approximately \$1,500,000 in funds to the District. The American Rescue Plan (ARP) has allocated approximately \$500,000 in funds to the District. The District has submitted applications to New York State for these grant funds, and they may be used to offset future expenditures related to the pandemic and the health and safety concerns that arose from it.

## **STATUS OF INDEBTEDNESS**

### ***Constitutional Requirements***

The New York State Constitution limits the power of the School District (and other municipalities and certain school districts of the State) to issue obligations and to otherwise contract indebtedness. Such constitutional limitations in summary form, and as generally applicable to the School District and the Notes, include the following:

**Purpose and Pledge.** The School District shall not give or lend any money or property to or in aid of any individual or private corporation or private undertaking or give or lend its credit to or in aid of any of the foregoing or any public corporation.

The School District may contract indebtedness only for a School District purpose and shall pledge its faith and credit for the payment of principal of and interest thereon.

**Payment and Maturity.** Except for certain short-term indebtedness contracted in anticipation of taxes or to be paid within three fiscal year periods, indebtedness shall be paid in annual installments commencing no later than two years after the date such indebtedness shall have been contracted and ending no later than the expiration of the period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose as determined by statute; no installment may be more than fifty per centum in excess of the smallest prior installment unless the School District determines to issue debt amortizing on the basis of substantially level or declining annual debt service. The School District is required to provide an annual appropriation for the payment of interest due during the year on its indebtedness and for the amounts required in such year for amortization and redemption of its serial bonds and such required annual installments on its notes.

### ***Statutory Procedure***

In general, the State Legislature has authorized the powers and procedure for the School District to borrow and incur indebtedness by the enactment of the Local Finance Law subject to the constitutional provisions set forth above. The power to spend money, however, generally derives from other law, including the Education Law.

Bond resolutions adopted by the Board of Education, except those to finance judgments, may not be adopted unless a proposition approving the financed capital project shall have been approved prior thereto at a special or annual school district election held in accordance with the Education Law.

**Debt Limit.** Pursuant to the Local Finance Law, the School District has the power to contract indebtedness for any school district purpose authorized by the Legislature of the State of New York, provided the aggregate principal amount thereof shall not exceed ten per centum (10%) of the full valuation of the taxable real estate of the School District and subject to certain enumerated deductions such as State aid for building purposes. The statutory method for determining full valuation is by taking the assessed valuation of taxable real estate for the last completed assessment roll and applying thereto the ratio (equalization rate) which such assessed valuation bears to the full valuation; such ratio is determined by the State Office of Real Property Services. The Legislature also is required to prescribe the manner by which such ratio shall be determined by such authority.

Each bond resolution usually authorizes the construction, acquisition or installation of the object or purpose to be financed, sets forth the plan of financing and specifies the maximum maturity of the bonds subject to the legal (Constitution, Local Finance Law and case law) restrictions relating to the period of probable usefulness with respect thereto.

The Local Finance Law also provides that where a bond resolution is published with a statutory form of notice, the validity of the bonds authorized thereby, including bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale thereof, may be contested only if:

(1) Such obligations are authorized for a purpose for which the School District is not authorized to expend money,

or, (2) There has not been substantial compliance with the provisions of law which should have been complied with in the authorization of such obligations

and an action contesting such validity, is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication,

or, (3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

It is a procedure that is recommended by Bond Counsel, but it is not an absolute legal requirement. This procedure is not applicable to budget, tax or revenue anticipation notes.

The Board of Education, as the finance board of the School District, has the power to enact bond resolutions. In addition, such finance board has the power to authorize the sale and issuance of obligations. However, such finance board may delegate the power to sell the obligations to the President of the Board of Education.

Statutory law in New York permits bond anticipation notes to be renewed each year provided annual principal installments are made in reduction of the total amount of such notes outstanding, commencing no later than two years from the date of the first of such notes and provided that such renewals do not exceed five years beyond the original date of borrowing. (See "Payment and Maturity" under "Constitutional Requirements" herein, and "Details of Outstanding Indebtedness" herein).

In general, the Local Finance Law contains provisions providing the School District with power to issue certain other short-term general obligation indebtedness including revenue and tax anticipation notes and budget notes (see "Details of Outstanding Indebtedness" herein).

### ***Debt Outstanding End of Fiscal Year***

Year Ending June 30:	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
Bonds	\$33,050,000	\$30,320,000	\$27,495,000	\$24,555,000	\$21,510,000
Bond Anticipation Notes	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Debt Outstanding	<u>\$33,050,000</u>	<u>\$33,320,000</u>	<u>\$27,495,000</u>	<u>\$24,555,000</u>	<u>\$21,510,000</u>

<sup>1</sup>Does not include tax anticipation notes or revenue anticipation notes issued prior to the end of a fiscal year and issued in anticipation of the succeeding fiscal year's receipts and subsequently paid in full. See "Revenue and Tax Anticipation Notes."

### ***Details of Outstanding Indebtedness***

The following table sets forth the bond and note indebtedness of the School District as September 16, 2021.

	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bonds	2021-2032	\$21,510,000
Bond Anticipation Notes		<u>0</u>
Total Debt Outstanding		\$21,510,000

***Lease Financing Obligations***

The following is a summary of the District’s lease financing obligations.

<u>Description of Issue</u>	<u>Issue Year</u>	<u>Final Maturity</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Principal Amount Outstanding at June 30, 2021</u>
Energy Performance Contract	2009	2024	4.84%	\$1,104,494

***Summary of Debt Limit***

Summary of Indebtedness, Debt Limit and Net Debt-Contracting Margin as of September 16, 2021.

Full Valuation of Taxable Real Property .....	<u>\$2,180,252,873</u>
Debt Limit....10% thereof .....	218,025,287
<u>Indebtedness:</u> <sup>1</sup>	
Bonds .....	21,510,000
Less: State Building Aid Estimate <sup>2</sup> .....	<u>0</u>
Net Indebtedness .....	<u>21,510,000</u>
Net Debt-Contracting Margin .....	<u>\$196,515,287</u>
Percentage of Debt Contracting Power Exhausted .....	9.87%

<sup>1</sup> The Local Finance Law does not provide for the inclusion of tax anticipation or revenue anticipation notes in the computation of the statutory debt limit of the School District.

<sup>2</sup> No deduction has been taken for State aid for building purposes. However, the School District receives New York State Building Aid in an approximate amount of 51% of eligible debt service on its existing indebtedness contracted for school building purposes pursuant to Section 121.20 of the Local Finance Law.

***Debt Ratios***

The following table sets forth certain ratios relating to the District's indebtedness as of September 10, 2019.

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Per Capita</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>Percentage of Full Value</u> <sup>2</sup>
Gross Indebtedness (see Computation of Debt Limit)	\$21,510,000	\$1,848.57	1.11%

<sup>1</sup>The estimated population of the District is 11,636.

<sup>2</sup>The District's full value of taxable real estate for 2020-21 is \$2,180,252,873.

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***Revenue and Tax Anticipation Notes***

The following is a history of the School District's tax anticipation note borrowings since the 2016-2017 fiscal year. The School District has not found it necessary to borrow in anticipation of other revenues during this period.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Amount Outstanding End of Fiscal Year</u>
2016-17	\$7,000,000	TAN	0
2017-18	7,000,000	TAN	0
2018-19	7,000,000	TAN	0
2019-20	7,000,000	TAN	0
2020-21	8,000,000	TAN	0
2021-22 (Projected)	8,000,000	TAN	N/A

***Estimated Overlapping Indebtedness***

In addition to the School District, the following political subdivisions have the power to issue bonds and to levy taxes on taxable real property in the School District.

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Outstanding Net Indebtedness</u>	<u>District's Share</u>	<u>Indebtedness</u>
County of Suffolk	\$1,317,344,592	0.63%	\$ 8,299,271
Town of Babylon	148,725,000	7.3%	10,856,925
Babylon Village	7,585,000	90%	<u>6,826,500</u>
Total			<u>\$25982696</u>

Source: New York State Comptroller's Special Report on Municipal Affairs for Fiscal Year ended in 2020.

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***Bond Principal and Interest Maturity Table***

The following table sets forth all fiscal year principal and interest payments required on all outstanding long-term bond indebtedness of the District. The table does not exclude any payments that may have been made in the current fiscal year.

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30th</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total Principal &amp; Interest</u>
2022	\$3,160,000	\$674,863	\$3,834,863
2023	2,020,000	565,125	2,585,125
2024	2,085,000	504,526	2,589,526
2025	2,155,000	435,476	2,590,476
2026	1,870,000	364,025	2,234,025
2027	1,920,000	307,925	2,227,925
2028	1,980,000	250,325	2,230,325
2029	2,040,000	190,925	2,230,925
2030	2,100,000	129,725	2,229,725
2031	1,075,000	65,400	1,140,400
2032	1,105,000	33,150	1,138,150
Totals	<u>\$21,510,000</u>	<u>\$3,521,465</u>	<u>\$25,031,465</u>

**End of Appendix A**

**APPENDIX B**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT SUMMARIES**

**And**

**CASH FLOWS**

**Babylon Union Free School District  
Revenues, Expenditures and Fund Balance  
General Fund**

**APPENDIX B**

Year Ended June 30:	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Real Property Taxes	\$34,134,050	\$34,839,972	\$36,387,318	\$37,987,049	\$39,622,688
Other Tax Items	4,424,192	4,245,955	4,147,996	3,848,451	3,106,969
Charges for Services	242,617	205,532	191,053	156,627	183,434
Use of Money and Property	10,688	12,717	17,627	25,356	18,520
Sale of Property and Compensation for Loss	2,174	377	314	1,271	72
Miscellaneous	575,465	597,123	549,086	657,309	555,020
Medicaid Reimbursement	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	47,327	0	0	0	0
State Sources	8,082,496	8,581,702	8,917,146	8,756,437	9,070,158
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>47,519,009</u>	<u>48,483,378</u>	<u>50,210,540</u>	<u>51,432,500</u>	<u>52,556,861</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
General Support	4,588,319	5,059,537	4,878,978	5,051,268	4,911,045
Instruction	28,121,949	28,348,209	28,574,984	29,452,622	29,405,278
Pupil Transportation	2,103,192	2,210,133	2,147,262	2,149,546	1,794,018
Employee Benefits	9,634,364	10,194,792	9,760,751	10,785,165	10,530,215
Debt Service	3,075,540	3,107,685	4,263,647	4,297,126	4,272,537
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>47,523,364</u>	<u>48,920,356</u>	<u>49,625,622</u>	<u>51,735,727</u>	<u>50,913,093</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	<u>(4,355)</u>	<u>(436,978)</u>	<u>584,918</u>	<u>(303,227)</u>	<u>1,643,768</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Premium on TAN	0	0	0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	0	17,481			
Operating Transfers (Out)	<u>(115,974)</u>	<u>(131,193)</u>	<u>(140,718)</u>	<u>(837,064)</u>	<u>(558,640)</u>
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<u>(115,974)</u>	<u>(113,712)</u>	<u>(140,718)</u>	<u>(837,064)</u>	<u>(558,640)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	<u>(120,329)</u>	<u>(550,690)</u>	<u>444,200</u>	<u>(1,140,291)</u>	<u>1,085,128</u>
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	8,736,157	8,615,828	8,065,138	8,509,338	7,369,047
Adjustment to Fund Balance	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Fund Balances - End of Year</b>	<u>\$8,615,828</u>	<u>\$8,065,138</u>	<u>\$8,509,338</u>	<u>\$7,369,047</u>	<u>\$8,454,175</u>

Source: Information for this appendix has been extracted from the audited financial statements of the Babylon Union Free School District. This summary itself has not been audited. Reference should be made to the complete audit reports on file at the School District office.

**Babylon Union Free School District  
General Fund Budget**

**APPENDIX B-1**

	2020-2021 Adopted Budget [1]	2021-2022 Adopted Budget [2]
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Real Property Taxes (Inc. STAR)	\$43,909,256	\$44,472,506
State Sources	9,735,262	9,983,949
Other Revenue	557,988	757,988
Appropriated Fund Balance	1,400,000	1,200,000
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$55,602,506</b>	<b>\$56,414,443</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
General Support	\$5,676,811	\$5,537,996
Instruction	30,996,096	31,824,645
Pupil Transportation	2,534,782	2,561,753
Employee Benefits	11,958,957	12,045,340
Transfers	135,000	138,000
Debt Service	4,300,860	4,306,709
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$55,602,506</b>	<b>\$56,414,443</b>

[1] The budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year was approved by voters of the District on June 9, 2020.

[2] The budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year was approved by voters of the District on May 18, 2021.

Source: Annual budget of the Babylon Union Free School District.

**Babylon Union Free School District  
Balance Sheets - General Fund**

**APPENDIX B-2**

As of June 30:	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Cash and Equivalents	\$8,547,528	\$8,544,077
Receivables:		
Due from Other Governments	192,057	184,737
Due from Other Funds	2,140,996	2,242,588
Accounts Receivable	6,177	15,614
Due from state and federal	<u>1,179,480</u>	<u>1,297,950</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u><u>\$12,066,238</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>\$12,284,966</u></u></b>
 <b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>		
Accounts Payable	\$720,068	\$545,027
Accrued Liabilities	396,383	237,973
Due to Teachers' Retirement System	2,358,899	2,063,640
Due to Employees' Retirement System	167,677	168,300
Due to other funds	575,067	275,067
Compensated Absences Payable	287,040	107,808
Deferred Revenue	<u>192,057</u>	<u>432,976</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b><u>4,697,191</u></b>	<b><u>3,830,791</u></b>
 <b><u>FUND BALANCE</u></b>		
Fund Balances:		
Nonspendable	0	0
Restricted	4,284,685	3,689,613
Assigned	1,220,592	2,541,350
Unassigned	<u>1,863,770</u>	<u>2,223,212</u>
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b><u>7,369,047</u></b>	<b><u>8,454,175</u></b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b><u><u>\$12,066,238</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>\$12,284,966</u></u></b>

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## 2020-2021 Cash Flow

### 2020-2021 Monthly Cash Flow

Actual

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	Total
Balance (beg. of month)(1)	8,544,080	7,066,705	5,431,047	3,369,375	7,365,996	3,596,198	1,815,733	20,480,333	16,820,050	16,145,958	13,085,663	13,846,921	8,544,080
<b>Receipts:</b>													
Property Taxes (2)	0	0	0	0	0	540,183	21,882,055	1,963,187	519,407	1,044,675	4,341,682	13,108,517	43,399,706
STAR Reimbursement	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,804,323	0	0	0	0	0	2,804,323
State Aid	0	144,287	1,030,742	45,683	47,700	405,865	47,711	83,782	3,185,829	0	0	761,856	5,753,455
Other Receipts	659,861	48,529	567,637	386,426	58,988	134,233	97,517	81,233	333,868	192,773	72,442	758,277	3,391,784
Interfund Transfers	102,164	718	0	232,636	0	1,664,331	104,832	38,007	54,429	162,684	65,182	156,578	2,581,561
TAN Proceeds	0	0	0	8,000,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,000,000
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>762,025</b>	<b>193,534</b>	<b>1,598,379</b>	<b>8,664,745</b>	<b>106,688</b>	<b>2,744,612</b>	<b>24,936,438</b>	<b>2,166,209</b>	<b>4,093,533</b>	<b>1,400,132</b>	<b>4,479,306</b>	<b>14,785,228</b>	<b>65,930,829</b>
<b>Balance and Receipts</b>	<b>9,306,105</b>	<b>7,260,239</b>	<b>7,029,426</b>	<b>12,034,120</b>	<b>7,472,684</b>	<b>6,340,810</b>	<b>26,752,171</b>	<b>22,646,542</b>	<b>20,913,583</b>	<b>17,546,090</b>	<b>17,564,969</b>	<b>28,632,149</b>	<b>74,474,909</b>
<b>Disbursements:</b>													
Salaries and Benefits	700,799	546,344	2,481,476	2,345,124	2,204,274	3,304,503	2,228,274	2,377,394	2,325,211	2,266,879	2,456,529	6,190,349	29,427,156
Operating Expenses	1,070,472	889,394	1,016,954	1,807,514	1,510,806	757,230	2,116,075	1,907,564	2,127,435	1,543,014	1,090,112	1,420,553	17,257,123
Interfund Transfers	306,723	0	215	322,636	0	0	1,766,083	3,080	153,573	162,684	10,000	207,081	2,932,075
Debt Service	0	232,048	0	31,444	0	301,938	0	1,377,048	0	326,444	0	1,906,938	4,175,860
Trans to Library	161,406	161,406	161,406	161,406	161,406	161,406	161,406	161,406	161,406	161,406	161,407	161,407	1,936,874
TAN Set Aside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,000,000	8,000,000
TAN Interest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	112,000	112,000
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>2,239,400</b>	<b>1,829,192</b>	<b>3,660,051</b>	<b>4,668,124</b>	<b>3,876,486</b>	<b>4,525,077</b>	<b>6,271,838</b>	<b>5,826,492</b>	<b>4,767,625</b>	<b>4,460,427</b>	<b>3,718,048</b>	<b>17,998,328</b>	<b>63,841,088</b>
<b>Balance (end of month)</b>	<b>7,066,705</b>	<b>5,431,047</b>	<b>3,369,375</b>	<b>7,365,996</b>	<b>3,596,198</b>	<b>1,815,733</b>	<b>20,480,333</b>	<b>16,820,050</b>	<b>16,145,958</b>	<b>13,085,663</b>	<b>13,846,921</b>	<b>10,633,821</b>	<b>10,633,821</b>

(1) Includes certain restricted reserves of \$3,986,588.

(2) Inclusive of Library Taxes.

#### TAN Set Aside (Payment)

Balance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,000,000	8,000,000
Disbursements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,000,000	8,000,000
Balance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**2021-2022 Cash Flow**

2021-2022 Monthly Cash Flow  
Projected

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	Total
Balance (beg. of month)(1)	10,633,821	9,065,052	6,652,475	4,926,409	8,751,236	4,827,468	568,898	22,945,123	20,156,631	19,209,839	15,443,510	14,742,440	10,633,821
Receipts:													
Property Taxes (2)	0	0	0	0	0	266,497	23,673,792	3,109,128	399,745	532,993	3,109,128	13,324,836	44,416,119
STAR Reimbursement	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,556,249	0	0	0	0	0	2,556,249
State Aid	0	184,241	1,538,497	76,925	76,925	76,925	769,249	84,617	3,154,292	0	0	1,730,816	7,692,487
Other Receipts	42,117	26,612	572,637	299,928	63,988	139,233	102,517	86,233	338,868	197,773	77,442	763,277	2,710,625
Interfund Transfers	153,323	1,905	4,000	236,636	4,000	1,668,331	108,832	42,007	58,429	166,684	69,182	160,578	2,673,907
TAN Proceeds	0	0	0	8,000,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,000,000
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>195,440</b>	<b>212,758</b>	<b>2,115,134</b>	<b>8,613,489</b>	<b>144,913</b>	<b>2,150,986</b>	<b>27,210,639</b>	<b>3,321,985</b>	<b>3,951,334</b>	<b>897,450</b>	<b>3,255,752</b>	<b>15,979,507</b>	<b>68,049,387</b>
<b>Balance and Receipts</b>	<b>10,829,261</b>	<b>9,277,810</b>	<b>8,767,609</b>	<b>13,539,898</b>	<b>8,896,149</b>	<b>6,978,454</b>	<b>27,779,537</b>	<b>26,267,108</b>	<b>24,107,965</b>	<b>20,107,289</b>	<b>18,699,262</b>	<b>30,721,947</b>	<b>205,972,289</b>
Disbursements:													
Salaries and Benefits	916,732	527,905	2,605,550	2,462,380	2,314,487	3,469,728	2,339,687	2,496,264	2,441,471	2,380,223	2,579,356	6,499,866	31,033,649
Operating Expenses	618,160	1,639,626	1,067,802	1,897,890	1,586,346	795,092	2,221,879	2,002,942	2,233,807	1,620,164	1,144,618	1,491,581	18,319,907
Interfund Transfers	66,469	91,533	5,000	240,000	5,000	1,700,000	110,000	45,000	60,000	170,000	70,000	170,000	2,733,002
Debt Service	0	203,423	0	25,544	0	281,888	0	1,403,423	0	330,544	0	1,936,888	4,181,710
Trans to Library	162,848	162,848	162,848	162,848	162,848	162,848	162,848	162,848	162,848	162,848	162,848	162,848	1,954,176
TAN Set Aside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,000,000	8,000,000
TAN Interest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	120
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>1,764,209</b>	<b>2,625,335</b>	<b>3,841,200</b>	<b>4,788,662</b>	<b>4,068,681</b>	<b>6,409,556</b>	<b>4,834,414</b>	<b>6,110,477</b>	<b>4,898,126</b>	<b>4,663,779</b>	<b>3,956,822</b>	<b>18,261,303</b>	<b>66,222,564</b>
<b>Balance (end of month)</b>	<b>9,065,052</b>	<b>6,652,475</b>	<b>4,926,409</b>	<b>8,751,236</b>	<b>4,827,468</b>	<b>568,898</b>	<b>22,945,123</b>	<b>20,156,631</b>	<b>19,209,839</b>	<b>15,443,510</b>	<b>14,742,440</b>	<b>12,460,644</b>	<b>139,749,725</b>

(1) Includes certain restricted reserves of \$3,986,588.

(2) Inclusive of Library Taxes.

TAN Set Aside (Payment)

Balance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,000,000	8,000,000
Disbursements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,000,000	8,000,000
Balance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**APPENDIX C**  
**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

Can be accessed on the Electronic Municipal Market Access (“EMMA”) website  
of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (“MSRB”)  
at the following link:

<https://emma.msrb.org/P11524891.pdf>

The audited financial statements referenced above are hereby incorporated into the attached Official Statement.

\* Such Financial Statements and opinion are intended to be representative only as of the date thereof. Cullen & Danowski, LLP has not been requested by the District to further review and/or update such Financial Statements or opinion in connection with the preparation and dissemination of this Official Statement.

**APPENDIX F**

**FORM OF APPROVING LEGAL OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL  
FOR THE NOTES**

October 6, 2021

Babylon Union Free School District,  
County of Suffolk,  
State of New York

Re: Babylon Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York  
\$8,000,000 Tax Anticipation Notes, 2021

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have been requested to render our opinion as to the validity of \$8,000,000 Tax Anticipation Notes, 2021 (the "Obligations"), of the Babylon Union Free School District, County of Suffolk, State of New York (the "Obligor"), dated October 6, 2021, and maturing June 17, 2022, numbered \_\_, of the denomination of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, bearing interest at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_% (per annum).

We have examined:

- (1) the Constitution and statutes of the State of New York;
- (2) the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, including particularly Sections 103 and 141 through 150 thereof, and the applicable regulations of the United States Treasury Department promulgated thereunder (collectively, the "Code");
- (3) an arbitrage certificate executed on behalf of the Obligor which includes, among other things, covenants, relating to compliance with the Code, with the owners of the Obligations that the Obligor will, among other things, (i) take all actions on its part necessary to cause interest on the Obligations not to be includable in the gross income of the owners thereof for Federal income tax purposes, including, without limitation, restricting, to the extent necessary, the yield on investments made with the proceeds of the Obligations and investment earnings thereon, making required payments to the Federal government, if any, and maintaining books and records in a specified manner, where appropriate, and (ii) refrain from taking any action which would cause interest on the Obligations to be includable in the gross income of the owners thereof for Federal income tax purposes, including, without limitation, refraining from spending the proceeds of the Obligations and investment earnings thereon on certain specified purposes (the "Arbitrage Certificate"); and
- (4) a certificate executed on behalf of the Obligor which includes, among other things, a statement that compliance with such covenants is not prohibited by, or violative of, any provision of local or special law, regulation or resolution applicable to the Obligor.

We also have examined a certified copy of proceedings of the finance board of the Obligor and other proofs authorizing and relating to the issuance of the Obligations, including the form of the Obligations. In rendering the opinions expressed herein we have assumed (i) the accuracy and truthfulness of all public records, documents and proceedings, including factual information, expectations and statements contained therein, examined by us which have been executed or certified by public officials acting within the scope of their official capacities, and have not verified the accuracy or truthfulness thereof, and (ii) compliance by the Obligor with the covenants contained in the Arbitrage Certificate. We also have assumed the genuineness of the signatures appearing upon such public records, documents and proceedings and the certifications thereof.

In our opinion:

- (a) The Obligations have been authorized and issued in accordance with the Constitution and statutes of the State of New York and constitute valid and legally binding general obligations of the Obligor, all the taxable real property within which is subject to the levy of ad valorem taxes to pay the Obligations and interest thereon, subject to applicable statutory limitations; provided, however, that the enforceability (but not the validity) of the Obligations: (i) may be limited by any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other law now existing or hereafter enacted by said State or the Federal government affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights, and (ii) may be subject to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.
- (b) The Obligor has the power to comply with its covenants with respect to compliance with the Code as such covenants relate to the Obligations; provided, however, that the enforceability (but not the validity) of such covenants may be limited by any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other law now existing or hereafter enacted by

said State or the Federal government affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights.

- (c) Interest on the Obligations is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and is exempt from personal income taxes imposed by the State of New York and any political subdivision thereof (including The City of New York). Interest on the Obligations is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. We express no opinion regarding other tax consequences related to the ownership or disposition of, or the amount, accrual or receipt of interest on, the Obligations.

Certain agreements, requirements and procedures contained or referred to in the Arbitrage Certificate and other relevant documents may be changed and certain actions (including, without limitation, economic defeasance of the Obligations) may be taken or omitted under the circumstances and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in such documents.

The opinions expressed herein are based on an analysis of existing laws, regulations, rulings and court decisions and cover certain matters not directly addressed by such authorities. Such opinions may be affected by actions taken or omitted or events occurring after the date hereof. Accordingly, this opinion is not intended to, and may not, be relied upon in connection with any such actions, events or matters. Our engagement with respect to the Obligations has concluded with their issuance, and we disclaim any obligation to update this opinion. We have assumed, without undertaking to verify, the accuracy of the factual matters represented, warranted or certified in the documents. Furthermore, we have assumed compliance with all covenants and agreements contained in the Arbitrage Certificate, including without limitation covenants and agreements compliance with which is necessary to assure that future actions, omissions or events will not cause interest on the Obligations to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes. We call attention to the fact that the rights and obligations under the Obligations and the Arbitrage Certificate and their enforceability may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium or other laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights, to the application of equitable principles, to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases and to the limitations on legal remedies against municipal corporations such as the Obligor in the State of New York. We express no opinion with respect to any indemnification, contribution, penalty, choice of law, choice of forum, choice of venue, or waiver provisions contained in the foregoing documents.

The scope of our engagement in relation to the issuance of the Obligations has extended solely to the examination of the facts and law incident to rendering the opinions expressed herein. Such opinions are not intended and should not be construed to express or imply any conclusion that the amount of real property subject to taxation within the boundaries of the Obligor, together with other legally available sources of revenue, if any, will be sufficient to enable the Obligor to pay the principal of or interest on the Obligations as the same respectively become due and payable. Reference should be made to the Official Statement prepared by the Obligor in relation to the Obligations for factual information which, in the judgment of the Obligor, could materially affect the ability of the Obligor to pay such principal and interest. While we have participated in the preparation of such Official Statement, we have not verified the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the factual information contained therein and, accordingly, we express no opinion as to whether the Obligor, in connection with the sale of the Obligations, has made any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary in order to make any statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

Very truly yours,

/s/ORRICK, HERRINGTON & SUTCLIFFE LLP