NORTH ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION

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ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE
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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education North Arlington School District County of Bergen, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with generally accepted audit standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Board of Education of the North Arlington School District in the County of Bergen for the year ended June 30, 2016, and have issued our report thereon dated December 2, 2016.

As part of our audit, we performed procedures required by the New Jersey Department of Education, and the findings and results thereof are disclosed on the following pages, as listed in the accompanying table of contents.

This report is intended for the information of the North Arlington Board of Education's management and the New Jersey Department of Education. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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Bayonne, New Jersey December 2, 2016

SCOPE OF AUDIT

The Audit covered the financial transactions of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator and the Treasurer of School Monies, the activities of the Board of Education, and the records of the various funds under the auspices of the Board of Education.

ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES

Insurance

Fire insurance coverage was carried in the amounts as detailed on Exhibit J-20, Insurance Schedule contained in the District's CAFR.

Official Bonds

Name	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Kathleen McEwin-Marano	Board Secretary/School	
	Business Administrator	\$ 220,000

There is an Employee Dishonesty and Unfaithful Performance Policy with the School Alliance Insurance Fund covering all other employees with coverage of \$500,000.

Tuition Charges

A comparison of tentative tuition charges and actual certified tuition charges was made. The actual costs were less than estimated costs. The Board made a proper adjustment to the billings to sending districts for the decrease in per pupil costs in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-17.1(f)3.

FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

Examination of Claims

An examination of claims paid during the period under review did not indicate any discrepancies with respect to signatures, certification or supporting documentation.

FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING (cont'd)

Payroll Account

The net salaries of all employees of the Board were deposited in the Net Payroll Account. Employees' payroll deductions and employer's share of fringe benefits were deposited in the Payroll Agency Account.

All payrolls were approved by the Superintendent and were certified by the President of the Board and the Board Secretary/Business Administrator.

Salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including health benefits withholding due to the general fund.

Payrolls were delivered to the secretary of the board who deposited them with warrants in separate bank accounts for net payroll and withholdings.

A review of the Position Control Roster found no inconsistencies between the payroll records, employee benefits records, the general ledger accounts where wages are posted and the Position Control Roster.

Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Payable

A review of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30, for proper classification of orders as reserve for encumbrances and accounts payable. No exceptions were noted.

Travel

The District did have an approved Board travel policy as required by N.J.A.C. 6A:23-6.13 and N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12. Our review of the travel records disclosed no discrepancies.

FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING (cont'd) Classification of Expenditures

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.2(f) as part of our test of transactions of randomly selected expenditure items. We also reviewed the coding of all expenditures included in our compliance and single audit testing procedures. In addition to randomly selecting a test sample, our sample selection specifically targeted administrative coding classifications to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-8.3. As a result of the procedures performed, no transaction errors were noted and no additional procedures were deemed necessary to test the propriety of expenditure classification.

Board Secretary's Records/ Business Administrator

Our review of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary/ Business Administrator disclosed no discrepancies.

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (E.S.E.A.)/Improving America's Schools Act (I.A.S.A.) as Reauthorized by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

The E.S.E.A./N.C.L.B. financial exhibits are contained within the Special Revenue Section of the CAFR. This section of the CAFR documents the financial position pertaining to the projects under Titles I and VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended and reauthorized.

The study of compliance for E.S.E.A. indicated no areas of noncompliance and/or questionable costs.

Other Special Federal and/or State Projects

The District's Special Projects were approved as listed on Schedule A and Schedule B located in the CAFR.

Our audit of the federal and state funds on a test basis, indicated that obligations and expenditures were incurred during the fiscal year or project period for which the project was approved.

The financial exhibits are contained within the Special Revenue Section of the CAFR. This section of the CAFR documents the financial position pertaining to the aforementioned special projects.

The study of compliance for the special projects indicated no areas of noncompliance.

T.P.A.F. Reimbursement

Our audit procedures included a test of the biweekly reimbursements filed with the Department of Education for District employees who are members of the Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund. No exceptions were noted.

TPAF Reimbursement to the State for Federal Salary Expenditures

The amount of the expenditure charged to the current year's Final Report for all federal awards for the school district to reimburse the State for the TPAF/FICA payments made by the State on-behalf of the school district for those employees whose salaries are identified as being paid from federal funds was made prior to the end of the 90 day grant liquidation period required by the Office of Grants Management. The expenditure was reviewed subsequent to the reimbursement and no exceptions were noted.

SCHOOL PURCHASING PROGRAMS

Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids

The bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 and 18A-3(a) are \$40,000 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agent) and \$29,000 (without a Qualified Purchasing Agent). The law regulating bidding for public school student transportation contracts under N.J.S.A. 18A:39-3 is \$18.800 for 2015-16.

The district board of education has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the statutory thresholds within the contract year. Where questions arise as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the solicitor's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

Based on the results of our examination, we did not note any individual payments, contracts or agreements made for the performance of any work or goods or services in excess of the statutory thresholds where there had been no advertising for bids in accordance with the provisions of <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-4.

Resolutions were adopted authorizing the awarding of contracts or agreements for "Professional Services" per N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5.

SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE

The school food service program was not selected as a major federal and/or State program. However, the program expenditures exceeded \$100,000 in Federal and/or Sate support. Accordingly, we inquired of school management, or appropriate school food service personnel, as to whether the School Food Authority (SFA) had any Child Nutrition Program reimbursement overclaims or underclaims. No exceptions were noted. We also inquired as to whether the SFA's expenditures of school food service revenues were limited to allowable direct and indirect costs. No exception were noted.

STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES

Our review of the Student Activity Funds found them to be in proper form and order.

APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October 15, 2015, Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the handicapped, low-income and bilingual. We also performed a review of the District procedures related to its completion. The information on the A.S.S.A. was compared to the District's workpapers without exception. The information that was included on the workpapers was verified without exception. The results of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

The District maintained workpapers on the prescribed state forms or their equivalent.

The District has adequately written procedures for the recording of student enrollment data.

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

Our audit procedures included a test of on-roll status reported in the 2014-2015 District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The information that was included in the DRTRS was verified to the DRTRS Eligibility Summary Report . The results of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

Our procedures also included a review of transportation related contracts and purchases. Based on our review, the District complied with proper bidding procedures and award of contracts. The bid specifications for the purchase of buses were in compliance with applicable statutes. No exceptions were noted in our review of transportation related purchases of goods and services.

FACILITIES AND CAPITAL ASSETS

Our procedures included a review of the SDA grant agreement for consistency with recording SDA revenue, transfer of local funds from the general fund or from the capital reserve account and awarding of contracts for eligible facilities construction. No exceptions were noted.

FOLLOW-UP ON PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS

In accordance with government auditing standards, our procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. Corrective action has been taken on all prior year findings.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We received the complete cooperation of all the officials of the School District, and I greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to the members of the audit team.

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Public School Accountant # CS00170

Bayonne, New Jersey December 2, 2016

North Arlington School District Application for State School Aid Summary Enrollment as of October 15, 2015

Schedule of Audited Enrollments

Schedule of Addited Enfolling	2015-2016 Application for State School Aid					Sample for Verification Sample Selected from Verified per Registers On Errors per Registers On					Private Schools for Disabled					
		on A.S.S.A. Roll	•	Norkpapers Roll	Er	rrors	Sample Sele	cted from papers	•	r Registers On Roll	Errors per	Registers On Roll	Reported on A.S.S.A. as	Sample for	Sample	Sample
	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Private Schools	Verification	Verified	Errors
Half Day Preschool Full Day Preschool																
Half, Day Kindergarten																
Full Day Kindergarten	159		159				48		48							
First	152		152				46		46							
Second	147		147				44		44							
Third	135		135				41		41							
Fourth	120		120				36		36							
Fifth	96		96				29		29							
Sixth	123		123				37		37							
Seventh	130		130				51		51							
Eighth	106		106				42		42							
Ninth	106		106				106		106							
Tenth	93	1	94				93	1	94							
Eleventh	100		100				100		100							
Twelfth	104		104				104		104							
Post-Graduate																
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)																
Adult H.S. (1-14CR.)																
Subtotal	1,571	1	1,572	0	0	0	777	1	778	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
•																
Special Ed - Elementary	78		78				12		12				1	1	1	
Special Ed - Middle School	40		40				6		6				0	0	0	
Special Ed - High School	77		77				77		77		0	00	5	5	5	
Subtotal	195	00	195	0	0	0	95	0	95	00	0	0	6	6	6	0
Co. Voc Regular																
Co. Voc. Ft. post Sec.																
Totals	1,766	1	1767	0	0	0	872	1	873	0	0	0	6	6	6	0
Percentage Error					0.00%	0.00%	-				0.00%	0.00%				0.00%
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North Arlington School District Application for State School Aid Summary Enrollment as of October 15, 2015

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Schedule of Audited Enrollments	Resident Low Income			San	ple for Verification		Pocide	anti ED Lowinco	ma	ç.	mple for Verification	
	ASSA Low Worknapers			Workpapers Verified to Sample			Resident L.E.P. Low Income A.S.S.A. LEP Workpapers LEP				Verified to App.	Sample
	Income	Low Income	Errors	Sample	App. & Register	Errors	Low Income	Low Income	Errors	Sample	& Register	Errors
Half Day Preschool												
Full Day Preschool												
Half, Day Kindergarten				1								
Full Day Kindergarten	30	30		25	25		5	5				
First	31	31		20	20		2	2				
Second	38	38		30	30		7	7		1		
Third	33	33		25	25		0	0				
Fourth	28	28		20	20		2	2		1		
Fifth	18	18		15	15		0	0				
Sixth	31	31		27	27		1	1				
Seventh	30	30		23	23		3	3		J		
Eighth	28	28		24	24		3	3				
Ninth	16	16		14	14		0	0				
Tenth	18	18		15	15		0	0				
Eleventh	20	20		17	17		0	0		ì		
Twelfth	17	17		13	13		0	0		1		
Post-Graduate								-				
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)												
Adult H.S. (1-14CR.)												
Subtotal	338	338	0	268	268	0	23	23	0	0	0	0
	555	-	•			•	-		•		Ü	•
Special Ed - Elementary	24	24		19	19		0	0		0	0	
Special Ed - Middle School	12	12		0	0		0	0		0	0	
Special Ed - High School	17	17		11	11		0	0		0	0	
Subtotal	53	53	0	30	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal				1 30								
Co. Voc Regular				1								
Co. Voc. Ft. post Sec.												
Totals	391	391		298	298	0	23	23	0	0	0	0
Percentage Error		-	0.00%	-		0.00%	-	-	0.00%	_		0.00%
Percentage Error		=	0.00%	=		0.00%	=	=	0.00%	=		0.00%
			Trar	sportation			-					
	DOE/County	District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors						
*	DRTRS	DRTRS										
Reg Public Schoosl, Col. 1		18		18	18							
Reg SpEd., Col. 4		14		14	14							
Transported - Nonpublic, Col. 3											•	
SpEd., Col. 6		30		30	30							
Courtesy Student		0		0	0						Reported	Recalculated
Totals	0	62	0	62	62	0	- Reg Avg.(Mile:	age) = Regular Inclu	ding Grade	e PK	6.2	6.2
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		LEP NOT Low Income	<u>e</u>	Sample for Verification					
		Workpapers Not	Errors	Workpapers	Verified to	Sample			
	Low Income	Low Income		Sample	App. & Register	Errors			
Half Day Preschool									
Full Day Preschool						1			
Half, Day Kindergarten									
Full Day Kindergarten	9	9		9	9				
First	5	5		5	5				
Second	12	12		12	12				
Third	5	5		5	5				
Fourth	7	7		7	7	ļ			
Fifth	3	3		3	3				
Sixth	0	0		0	0				
Seventh	2	2		2	2				
Eighth	3	3		3	3				
Ninth	5	5		5	5				
Tenth	2	2		2	2				
Eleventh	4	4		4	4				
Twelfth	0	0		0	0				
Post-Graduate									
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)									
Adult H.S. (1-14CR.)									
Subtotal	57	57	0	57	57	0			
Special Ed - Elementary									
Special Ed - Middle School									
Special Ed - High School									
Subtotal	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Co. Voc Regular				1					
Co. Voc. Ft. post Sec.									
Totals	57	57	0	57	57	0			
Percentage Error		-	0.00%	-		0.00%			
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EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION

REGULAR DISTRICT

SECTION 1

A. 2% Calculation of Excess Surplus				
2015 - 2016 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR, Ex. C-1 Increased by:	\$ 24,540,478	(B)		
Transfer to Debt Service Fund	-	(B1a)		
Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund	493,333	(B1b)		
Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund		(B1c)		
Decreased by:				
On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security	2,569,881	(B2a)		
Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases		(B2b)		
Adjusted 2015-16 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)-(B2s)]	\$ 22,463,930	(B3)		
2% of Adjusted 2015-16 General Fund Expenditures [(B3) times .02]	449,279	(B4)		
Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000	449,279	(B5)		
Increased by: Allowable Adjustment (Increase in Extraordinary Aid)	-	(K)		
Maximum Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)]			\$ 449,279	(M)
SECTION 2			 	
Total General Fund - Fund Balances at June 30, 2016				
(Per CAFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule C-1)	\$ 10,082,594	(C)		
Decreased by:				
Year End Encumbrances	365,886	(C1)		
Legally Restricted - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	0	(C2)		
Legally Restricted - Excess Surplus- Designated for Subsequent Year	's			
Expenditures	1,329,680	(C3)		
Other Restricted Fund Balances - Capital Reserve	5,442,071	(C4)		
Assigned Fund Balance-Unreserved-Unreserved - Designated				
for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	-	(C5)		
Total Unassigned Fund Balance				
[(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)]			 2,944,957	(U1)
SECTION 3				
Reserved Fund Balance - Excess Surplus [(U1)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE ENTE	ER -0-		\$ 2,495,678	(E)
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2016				
Reserved Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures			\$ 1,329,680	(C3)
Reserved Excess Surplus [(E)]			2,495,678	(E)
Total [(C3)+(E)]			\$ 3,825,358	(D)