## CUMBERLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Auditor's Management Report on Administrative Findings, Financial, Compliance and Performance For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

# AUDITORS MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE 

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

Honorable President and<br>Members of the Board of Education<br>Cumberland Regional School District<br>County of Cumberland, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with audit standards generally accepted in the United States of America and Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Board of Education of the Cumberland Regional School District in the County of Cumberland for the year ended June 30, 2019, and have issued our report thereon dated November 22, 2019.

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 management of the Cumberland Regional Board of Education, the New Jersey State Department of Education (cognizant audit agency), other state and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended and should not be used by anyone other than these parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

# Ford. Scott \& Associates, L.L.C. <br> FORD, SCOTT \& ASSOCIATES, L.L.C. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS 

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November 22, 2019

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## ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

## Scope of Audit

The audit covered the financial transactions of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator and 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 (N.J.S.A. 18A:17-26, 18A:17-32,18A:13-13)

| Name |  |  | Position |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | Amount |  |  |
| Bruce D. Harbinson | Business Administrator | $\$$ | $250,000.00$ |  |

## 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.

## Payroll Account

The net salaries of all employees of the Board were deposited in the 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/School Business Administrator.

Salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including health benefits premium amounts withheld and due to the general fund.

## Reserve for Encumbrances, Liability for 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 discrepancies were noted.

## Classification of Expenditures

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.2(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 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, a transaction error rate of $0.00 \%$ was noted and no additional procedures were deemed necessary to test the propriety of expenditure classification.

## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting - continued

Business Administrator / Board Secretary's Records
The Board Secretary's Records were in satisfactory condition.
Bids received were summarized in the minutes.
Acknowledgement of the Board's receipt of the Board Secretary's reports were included in the minutes.
Budget appropriations were not greater than realized revenues and Board authorized use of surplus.
No budgetary line accounts were over-expended during the fiscal year and at June 30 .
Purchase orders were charged to the appropriate line accounts in accordance with State prescribed Uniform Minimum Chart of Accounts (2R2), for New Jersey Public Schools.

## Pupil Transportation

Our audit procedures included a test of on roll status reported in the 2018-19 District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The information that was included on the DRTRS was verified to the DRTRS Eligibility Summary Report without exception. The results of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

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

## Elementary and Secondary Education Act (E.S.E.A.) as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

The E.S.E.A./NCLB 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. revealed 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 the Schedule A and Schedule B 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 Special Federal and/or State Projects revealed no areas of noncompliance and/or questioned costs.

## 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 Reports 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:18A-3 are $\$ 40,000$. The law regulating bidding for public school student transportation contracts under N.J.S.A. 18A:39-3 is \$19,000 for 2018-19.

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 question arises 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 my examination, I 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 provision of N.J.S.A. 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 State support. Accordingly, we inquired of school management, or appropriate school food service personnel, as to whether the SFA had any Child Nutrition Program reimbursement overclaims or underclaims. No exceptions were noted.

We also inquired of school management, or appropriate school food service personnel, as to whether the SFA's expenditures of school food service revenues were limited to allowable direct and indirect costs. No exceptions were noted.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Assets (CAFR Schedule B-5) does separate program and non-program revenue and program and non-program cost of goods sold.

## Student Body Activities

During our review of the student activity funds, the following item was noted..

## Finding 2019-1 AMR:

During our review of the Student Activity Account deposits, it was noted that not all deposits were promptly deposited in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A-23A-16.12. While we do recommend deposits being made more timely, the issue has already been addressed and more adequate controls have been established and implemented. Therefore, no formal recommendation is warranted.

## Application for State School Aid

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October 15, 2018 Application for State School Aid (ASSA) for on-roll, private schools for the handicapped, low income and bilingual. We also performed a review of the districts procedures related to its completion. The information on the ASSA was compared to the district 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 adequate written procedures for the recording of student enrollment data.

## Facilities and Capital Assets

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

## Testing for Lead of All Drinking Water in Educational Facilities

The school district adhered to all the requirements of N.J.A.C. 26-1.2 and 12.4 related to the testing for lead of all drinking water in educational facilities.

## Follow-Up on Prior Year Findings

Not Applicable

## Acknowledgment

We received the complete cooperation of all the officials of the school district and we greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to the members of the audit team.

Respectfully submitted,
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| 2019-2020 Application for State School Aid |  |  |  |  |  |  | Sample for Verification |  |  |  |  |  | Private Schools for Disabled |  |  |  |  |
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Percentage Error


## CUMBERLAND REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT <br> EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION <br> FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

## REGULAR DISTRICT

## SECTION 1

## A. 2\% Calculation of Excess Surplus

2018-19 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR, Ex. C-1
Increased by:
Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund
Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund
Transfer from General Fund to SRF for Preschool - Regular
Transfer from General Fund to SRF for Preschool - Inclusion
Decreased By:
On-Behalf TPAF Pension \& Social Security
Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases
Adjusted 2018-19 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1's)-(B2's)]
2\% of Adjusted 2018-19 General Fund Expenditures [(B3) times .02]
Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000
Increased by: Allowable Adjustment*
Maximum Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)]


## SECTION 2

Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 06/30/19
(Per CAFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule C-1)
\$ 6,272,331.97
(C)

Decreased by:
Year-end Encumbrances
Legally Restricted - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures
$\$ \quad 691,018.76$
$\$ \quad-\quad$
Legally Restricted - Excess Surplus - Designated for
Subsequent Year's Expenditures **
$\$ \quad 545,750.00$
$\$ 4,149,130.85$
Other Restricted Fund Balances ****
Assigned Fund Balance - Unreserved - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures

Total Unassigned Fund Balance [(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)]
\$ $\qquad$
\$ 886,432.36 (U1)

## SECTION 3

Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus *** [(U1)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE ENTER - 0-
\$ 450,000.00 (E)
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2019:
Reserved Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures **
Reserved Excess Surplus ***
\$ 545,750.00 (C3)

Total [(C3) $+(\mathrm{E})]$
$\$ 4450,000.00$ (E)
\$ 995,750.00 (D)

## CUMBERLAND REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT <br> EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION <br> FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019

* This adjustment line (as detailed below) is to be utilized for Impact Aid (when applicable), Sale and Lease-back (Refer to the Audit Program Section II, Chapter 10), and Extraordinary Aid, and Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid if applicable (Refer to the Audit Program Section II, Chapter 10 for restrictions on the inclusion of Extraordinary Aid and Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid).


## Detail of Allowable Adjustments


** This amount represents the June 30, 2019 Excess Surplus (C3 above) and must be included in the Audit Summary Worksheet Line 10025.
*** Amounts must agree to the June 30, 2019 CAFR and the sum of the two lines must agree to Audit Summary Worksheet Line 10024.
**** Amount for Other Reserved Fund Balances must be detailed for each source. Use in the excess surplus calculation of any legal reserve that is not state mandated or that is not legally imposed by an other type of government, such as the judicial branch of government, must have Departmental approval. District requests should be submitted to the Division of Finance prior to September 30.

## Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance

Statutory restrictions:
Approved unspent separate proposal
Capital outlay for a district with a capital outlay cap waiver
Sale/lease-back reserve
Capital reserve
Maintenance reserve
Emergency reserve
Tuition reserve
Impact Aid General Fund Reserve (Sections 8002 and 8003)
Impact Aid Capital Fund Reserve (Sections 8007 and 8008)
Other state/government mandated reserve
[Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above] ****
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance

\$ $\qquad$
\$ 4,149,130.85
(C4)

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Administrative Practices and Procedures

None
2. Financial Planning. Accounting and Reporting

None
3. School Purchasing Programs

None
4. School Food Service

None
5. Student Body Activities

None
6. Application for State School Aid

None
7. Pupil Transportation

None
8. Facilities and Capital Assets

None
9. Miscellaneous

None
10. Status of Prior Year Audit Findings/Recommendations

None.

