# BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE GLOUCESTER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER

AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS -FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

> FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2019



GLOUCESTER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT
Auditor's Management Report on Administrative
Findings - Financial, Compliance and Performance

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## AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Gloucester County Special Services School District County of Gloucester, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing 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 Gloucester County Special Services School District, a component unit of the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, which were separately issued in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report dated December 18, 2019.

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

This report is issued in conjunction with the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the Board of Education of the Gloucester County Special Services School District, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, and is intended for the information of the School District's management and the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Public School Accountant No. CS 00886

Woodbury, New Jersey December 18, 2019

#### ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

#### **SCOPE OF AUDIT**

The audit covered the financial transactions of the Board Secretary / School Business Administrator, 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 School District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

#### Official Bonds (N.J.S.A. 18A: 17-26, 18A:17-32, 18A:13-13)

<u>Name</u> <u>Position</u> <u>Amount</u>

Amy Capriotti Board Secretary / School

Business Administrator \$325,000.00

There is a Public Employees' Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond with New Jersey School Board Association Insurance Group covering all other employees with multiple coverage of \$250,000.00.

#### **Tuition Charges**

A comparison of tentative tuition charges and actual certified tuition charges was made. The actual costs were less than estimated costs. The School District 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**

Sampled claims paid during the fiscal year under audit did not indicate any reportable noncompliance with respect to signatures, certification, or supporting documentation.

#### **Payroll Account**

The net salaries of sampled employees of the School District were deposited in the net payroll account. Employees' payroll deductions and the employer's share of fringe benefits were deposited in the payroll agency account.

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

Sampled salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including health benefit premium withholdings due to the general fund.

Sampled payrolls were delivered to the Board Secretary who then deposited with warrants in separate bank accounts for net payroll and withholdings.

#### **Employee Position Control Roster**

A sample of the Employee Position Control Roster indicated that it was in satisfactory condition and was approved by the county office submission with the 2018-2019 budget review checklist.

#### FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING, AND REPORTING (CONT'D)

#### **Encumbrances and Accounts Payable**

A sample of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30 for proper classification of orders as encumbrances and accounts payable. Our sample did not indicate any reportable noncompliance with respect to classification of orders.

#### Travel

A sample of travel expenditures during the fiscal year under audit did not indicate any reportable noncompliance.

#### **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 randomly sampled expenditure transactions. We also tested the coding of all expenditures included in our compliance and single audit sampling procedures. In addition, a sample was selected that specifically targeted administrative coding classifications to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-8.3. Our samples did not indicate any reportable noncompliance with respect to classification of expenditures.

#### **Board Secretary's Records**

Our audit of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

#### Other Special Federal and / or State Projects

The School District's other special projects were approved as listed on exhibits K-3 and K-4 located in the CAFR.

Our audit of the federal and state funds on a sample 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 other special projects.

The audit of compliance for other special projects did not indicate any reportable noncompliance.

#### **TPAF Reimbursement**

Our audit procedures included a sample of the biweekly reimbursements filed with the Department of Education for School 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(s) 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 and N.J.S.A. 18A:66-90. The expenditure was inspected subsequent to the reimbursement and no exceptions were noted.

#### SCHOOL PURCHASING PROGRAMS

#### **Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids**

N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq. (Public School Contracts Law), the associated rules and related information on the statute, and the school contracts in general, are available on the following website:

#### SCHOOL PURCHASING PROGRAMS (CONT'D)

#### Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids (Cont'd)

https://www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dlgs/programs/lpcl.html

Current statute is posted on the New Jersey Legislature website at:

http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/

The bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 and 18A:18A-3(a) are \$40,000.00 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agent) and \$29,000.00 (without a Qualified Purchasing Agent), respectively. The law regulating bidding for public school student transportation contracts under N.J.S.A. 18A:39-3 is \$19,000.00 for 2018-19.

The School District's 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 our audit, 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 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 \$100,000.00 in federal and / or State 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 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 position (CAFR exhibit B-5) does separate program and non-program revenue and program and non-program cost of goods sold.

Net cash resources did not exceed three months average expenditures.

#### **STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES**

Our audit of the financial and accounting records for student activities indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

#### **APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID**

Our audit procedures included a sample of information reported in the October 15, 2018 Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the disabled, low-income, and bilingual. We also performed an inspection of the School District procedures related to its completion. The information on the A.S.S.A. was compared to the School 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.

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#### APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID (CONT'D)

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

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

#### **FACILITIES AND CAPITAL ASSETS**

Our audit of the financial and accounting records for facilities and capital assets indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Testing for Lead of All Drinking Water in Education Facilities**

The School District complied with all the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.2 and 12.4 related to the testing for lead of all drinking water in educational facilities.

The School District submitted the annual Statement of Assurance to the Department of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4(g).

#### **FOLLOW-UP ON PRIOR YEAR'S FINDINGS**

There were no audit findings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

There were no Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance audit reports issued during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

We received the complete cooperation of all of 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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Public School Accountant No. 00886

Application for State School Aid Summary Schedule of Audited Enrollments Enrollment as of October 15, 2018

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Application for State School Aid Summary Schedule of Audited Enrollments Enrollment as of October 15, 2018

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Audit Recommendations Summary For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

#### 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

There were no prior year findings requiring corrective action.