## BOARD OF EDUCATION TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER

AUDITORS MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

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

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Township of Harrison School District Mullica Hill, New Jersey

I 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 Harrison Township School District, in the County of Gloucester for the year ended June 30, 2020, and have issued my report thereon dated December 18, 2020.

As part of my audit, I 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 Harrison Township Board of Education and the New Jersey Department of Education. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Respectfully submitted,

INVERSO & STEWART, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

Robert P. Inverso

Public School Accountant

Marlton, New Jersey December 18, 2020

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

#### **Scope of Audit**

The audit covered the financial transactions of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator and the Secretary to 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 district's CAFR.

#### **Officials Bonds**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	i	<u>Amount</u>
Robert E. Scharlé	Board Secretary/School Business Administrator	\$	220,000

There is a Public Employees' Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond with the School Alliance Insurance Fund covering all other employees with multiple coverage of \$100,000.

#### **Tuition Charges**

The district was not required to make any tuition adjustments.

#### Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

#### **Examination of Claims**

An examination of claims paid during the period under audit did not indicate any material noncompliance with respect to signatures, certifications or supporting documentation.

## Payroll Account

The net salaries of all employees of the District 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/Business Administrator and the Chief School 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 with a warrant made to his order for the full amount of each payroll.

#### Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

#### **Payroll Account (Continued)**

The required certification (E-CERT1) of compliance with requirements for income tax on compensation of administrators to the NJ Department of Treasury was filed by the March 15 due date.

The Payroll Account records were maintained in satisfactory condition.

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

No exceptions were noted during my examination of the Employee 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. My review did not indicate any material discrepancies to the classification of orders.

# Obligations of Federal Grant Awards and Requests for Reimbursement of Expenditures against those Federal Grant Awards

No exceptions were noted during my examination of obligations of federal grant awards and requests for reimbursement of expenditures against those federal grant awards made during the period under audit.

#### **Travel**

No exceptions were noted in my study of compliance for travel expenses.

#### **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 my test of transactions of randomly selected expenditure items. I also reviewed the coding of all expenditures included in my compliance and single audit testing procedures. In addition to randomly selecting a test sample, my sample selection specifically targeted administrative coding classifications to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-8.2. My review did not indicate any material discrepancies with respect to classification of expenditures.

## **Board Secretary/School Business Administrator's Records**

The financial and accounting records of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator's office were maintained in excellent condition.

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

The E.S.E.A./ESSA 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, II, III, and IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended and reauthorized.

#### Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

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

The study of compliance for E.S.E.A./ESSA did not indicate any exceptions.

#### 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.

My 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 projects indicated no areas of noncompliance and/or questionable costs.

#### T.P.A.F. Reimbursement

My 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.

#### T.P.A.F. 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 60 day grant liquidation period required by the Office of Grants Management. The expenditure was reviewed subsequent to the reimbursement and no exceptions were noted.

#### **Nonpublic State Aid**

The study of compliance for nonpublic state aid indicated no areas of noncompliance and/or questionable costs.

#### **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(a) are \$40,000 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agent) and \$29,000 (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.

The School District 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.

## **School Purchasing Programs (Continued)**

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**

#### **COVID-19 Emergency**

In accordance with the Governor's Declaration of Emergency pertaining to the COVID-19 Virus all public, charter and non-public schools were ordered to close effective as of March 18, 2020 for an undetermined period to limit the spread of the virus. As a result, School Food Authorities (SFA) were required to institute alternate procedures to provide meals to Free and Reduced Price eligible students during the period of school closures.

Therefore, SFAs were authorized to solicit and award emergency noncompetitive procurements and contracts with Food Service Management Companies in accordance with 2 CFR 200.320 and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-7. The SFAs were also authorized to submit contract modifications to their existing Cost Reimbursable or Fixed Price contracts as necessary to ensure the feeding of Free and Reduced Price meal eligible students.

SFAs were notified of the requirement to maintain and report separate meal count records and financial records of all applicable costs incurred in providing meals to all free and reduced price meal eligible students during the emergency.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the School District expended less than \$100,000 in federal and/or state funds for its Child Nutrition Program.

Net cash resources did not exceed three months average expenditures.

#### **Student Body Activities**

The financial records for the Student Activity Fund were maintained in satisfactory condition

#### **Application for State School Aid**

My audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October 15, 2019 Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the handicapped, low-income and bilingual. I 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 workpapers without exception. The information that was included on the workpapers was verified without exception. The results of my 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.

### **Pupil Transportation**

My procedures included a test of on roll status reported in the 2019-2020 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 my procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

#### **Pupil Transportation (Continued)**

My procedures also included a review of transportation related contracts and purchases. Based on my review, the District complied with proper bidding procedures and award of contracts. No exceptions were noted in my review of transportation related purchases of goods and services.

#### **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 Years' Findings

In accordance with government auditing standards, my procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. There were no prior year findings.

## **Acknowledgment**

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

Respectfully submitted,

INVERSO & STEWART, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

Robert P. Inverso

Certified Public Accountant Public School Accountant

December 18, 2020

## SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

## **Harrison Township School District**

## **Application for State School Aid Summary**

## **Enrollment as of October 15, 2019**

	2020-2021 Application for State School Aid						Sample for Verification					Private Schools for Disabled				
	AS	rted on SSA Roll Shared	Work	rted on papers <u>Roll</u> Shared	<u>Er</u> Full	<u>rors</u> Shared	Selecte	mple ed From <u>papers</u> Shared	Reg	ed per isters <u>Roll</u> Shared	Regi	s per sters <u>Roll</u> Shared	Reported on ASSA as Private Schools	Sample for Verifi- cation	Sample Verified	Sample Errors
Half Day Pre K 3 Half Day Pre K 4	18 28		18 28		-		18 28		18 28		-					
Full Day K One	169 168		169 168		-		169 168		169 168		-					
Two Three	178 172		178 172		-		178 172		178 172		-					
Four Five	172 203		172 203		-		172 203		172 203		-					
Six	214		214				214		214							
Subtotal	1,322		1,322				1,322		1,322							
SpEd Elementary SpEd Middle School	76 17		76 17				76 17		76 17					3	3	
Subtotal	93		93				93		93				3	3	3	
Totals	1,415		1,415				1,415		1,415				3	3	3	
Percentage Error					0.00%						0.00%					0.00%

## **Schedule of Audited Enrollments**

# **Harrison Township School District**

## Application for State School Aid Summary

# Enrollment as of October 15, 2019

	Resid	ent LEP NOT Low Inc	come	Sample for Verification					
	Reported on ASSA as NOT Low Income	Reported on Workpapers as NOT Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Application and Register	Sample Errors			
Half Day K One Two Three Four Five Six	1	1	-	1	1	-			
Subtotal	1	1		1	1				
SpEd Elementary SpEd Middle School									
Subtotal									
Totals	1	1		1	1				
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%			

#### Schedule of Audited Enrollments

#### **Harrison Township School District**

#### Application for State School Aid Summary

#### Enrollment as of October 15, 2019

	Re	esident Low Income	<u> </u>	Sample for Verification			Resident LEP Low Income Sample for Verification	Sample for Verification		
	Reported on ASSA as Low Income	Reported on Workpapers as Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Application and Register	Sample Errors		ample Errors		
Full Day K	17	17	_	11	11	_				
One	19	19	_	12	12	_				
Two	21	21	-	13	13	-	1 1 - 1 1	-		
Three	23	23	-	14	14	-				
Four	23	23	-	14	14	-	1 1 - 1 1	-		
Five	15	15	-	9	9	-	1 1 - 1 1	-		
Six	23	23		14	14					
	141_	141_		87_	87_		3			
SpEd Elementary SpEd Middle School	22 9	22 9		14 6	14					
Subtotal	31_	31_		20	20					
Totals	172	172		107	107		<u> </u>			
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%	0.00%	0.00%		
			Transpo	rtation						
	Reported on DRTRS by DOE	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors				
Pog Dublic School and 4	794	704		200	200		Reported Recalculated			
Reg. Public School , col. 1 Reg. Special Education, col. 4	794 21	794 21	-	200 5	200 5	-	Avg. Mileage - Regular Including Grade PK students 3.5 3.5			
AlL-Non-Public, col. 3	47	21 47	-	13	13		Avg. Mileage - Regular Excluding Grade PK students 3.5 3.5 3.5 Avg. Mileage - Regular Excluding Grade PK students 3.5 3.5			
Special Needs, Col. 6	47 49	47	-	13	13		Avg. Mileage - Regular Excluding Grade PN students 3.5 3.5 3.5 Avg. Mileage - Special Ed. with Special Needs 3.9 3.9			
opecial Needs, Col. 0	49_	49_	<u>-</u>	14	14		Avg. Milicage - Opeolal Eu. Will Opeolal Needs 3.9 3.9			
	911	911		232_	232					
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%				

#### HARRISON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION**

# **SECTION 1 - Regular Districts**

# A. 2% Calculation of Excess Surplus

2019-2020 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 PreK-Regular     Transfer from General Fund to SRF for PreK-Inclusion Decreased by:     On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security     Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases	\$(B)  \$(B1a)  \$(B1b)  \$(B1c)  \$(B1d)  \$(B2a)  \$(B2b)
Adjusted 2019-2020 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)+(B2s)]	\$19,075,635_ (B3)
2% of Adjusted 2019-2020 General Fund Expenditures [(B3) times .02] Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000 Increased by: Allowable Adjustment  Maximum Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)]	\$ 381,513 (B4) \$ 381,513 (B5) \$ 61,522 (K) \$ 443,035 (M)
SECTION 2	
T. 10 15 15 15 15 1	
Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6-30-20 (Per CAFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule C-1) Decreased by:     Year-end Encumbrances     Legally Restricted - Designated for Subsequent Year's     Expenditures     Legally Restricted Excess Surplus - Designated for     Subsequent Year's Expenditures     Other Restricted Fund Balances     Assigned Fund Balance - Unreserved - Designated     for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	\$ 3,165,996 (C)  \$ 571,754 (C1)  \$ (C2)  \$ 652,040 (C3) \$ 780,933 (C4)  \$ 58,456 (C5)

## HARRISON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION**

## **SECTION 3 - All Districts**

Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus [(U2)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE ENTER -0-	\$	659,778	(E)
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2020			
Reserved Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Reserved Excess Surplus [(E)]	\$ \$	652,040 659,778	(C3) (E)
Total [(C3) + (E)]	\$	1,311,818	(D)

## **Detail of Allowable Adjustments**

Impact Aid	\$		(H)
Sale & Lease-back	\$		(I)
Extraordinary Aid	\$	61,379	(J1)
Additional Nonpuplic School Transportation Aid	\$	143	(J2)
Current Year School Bus Advertising Revenue	\$		(J3)
Family Crisis Transportation Aid	\$ _		(J4)
Total Adjustments [(H)+(I)+(J1)+(J2)+(J3)+(J4)]	\$_	61,522	(K)

## **Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance**

Statutory restrictions: Approved unspent separate proposal Sale/lease-back reserve Capital reserve Maintenance reserve Emergency reserve Tuition reserve School Bus Advertising 50% Fuel Offset Reserve - Current Year School Bus Advertising 50% Fuel Offset Reserve - Prior Year Impact Aid General Fund Reserve (Sections 8002 and 8003)	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	6,641 774,292	
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Impact Aid General Fund Reserve (Sections 8002 and 8003)	\$		
Impact Aid Capital Fund Reserve (Sections 8007 and 8008)	\$		
Other state/government mandated reserves	\$		
Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above	\$		
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance	\$	780,933	(C4)

## AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS SUMMARY For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020

## Recommendations:

None

None

1. Administrative Practices and Procedures

3. School Purchasing Programs

2. Financial Planning. Accounting and Reporting

	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 audit findings/recommendations.