TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD

SCHOOL DISTRICT

AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT

FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

# TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

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# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Township of Springfield School District PO Box 210 Springfield, New Jersey 07081 County of Union

We have audited, in accordance with generally accepted audit standards and <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Board of Education of the Township of Springfield School District in the County of Union for the year ended June 30, 2020, and have issued our report thereon dated December 31, 2020.

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 Township of Springfield School District Board of Education 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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## ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

### Scope of Audit

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

#### **Administrative Practices and Procedures**

#### Insurance

Insurance coverage was carried in the amounts as detailed on the Insurance Schedule contained in the Statistical Section of the District's CAFR.

Adequacy of insurance coverage is the responsibility of the Board of Education.

#### Official Bonds

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Matthew A. Clarke	Board Secretary/School Business Administrator	\$ 105,000
Katherine Herrigal	Treasurer	\$ 285,000

There is a Public Employees Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond with the Selective Insurance Company in the amount of \$50,000.

# 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/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 treasurer of school moneys with a warrant made to his order for the full amount of each payroll.

Our review of the Payroll Account did not uncover any areas of non-compliance which are required to be reported.

# Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Payable

All encumbrances and accounts payable at June 30, 2020 were properly recorded and classified.

### 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 errors were noted and no additional procedures were deemed necessary to test the propriety of expenditure classification.

#### Board Secretary's Records

The Board Secretary's Records were found to be in order.

# Treasurer's Records (optional position)

The Treasurer's Records were found to be in order.

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

The E.S.E.A. 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. did not indicate any 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 did not indicate any areas of noncompliance.

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

Our audit procedures included a test of the biweekly reimbursement forms filed with the Department of Education for district employees who are members of the Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund. 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(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 for 2019-2020.

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 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 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 District's expenditures of school food service revenues were limited to allowable direct and indirect costs. No exceptions were noted.

The financial transactions and statistical records of the school food services were maintained in satisfactory condition. The financial accounts, meal count records and eligibility applications were reviewed on a test-check basis.

Cash receipts and bank records were reviewed for timely deposit.

The district utilizes a food service management company (FSMC) and is depositing and expending program monies in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 18A:17-34, and 19-1 through 19-4.1. Provisions of the FSMC contract were reviewed and audited. The FSMC contract includes an operating results provision which guarantees that the food service program will either break even, return a profit or incur a loss of not more than a specified amount. The operating results provision has been met.

Expenditures were separately recorded as food, labor and other costs. Vendor invoices were reviewed and costs verified. Inventory records on food supply items were currently maintained and properly applied in determining the cost of food and supplies used.

The cash disbursements records reflected expenditures for program related goods and services. The appropriate revenue and expenditure records were maintained in order to substantiate the non-profit status of the school food service.

## **Finding 2020-1:**

The net cash resources exceeded the three months average expenditures at June 30, 2020.

# Recommendation:

The School Food Authority should maintain on a monthly basis the net cash resource. If the net cash resource exceeds the three months average, The SFA should develop a plan to rectify the excess cash issue.

Applications for free and reduced price meals were reviewed for completeness and accuracy. The number of free and reduced price meals claimed as served did not exceed the number of valid applications on file, times the number of operating days, on a school by school basis. The free and reduced price meal is uniformly administered throughout the school system. The required verification procedures for free and reduced price applications were completed and available for review.

U.S.D.A. Food Distribution Program (food and/or commodities) were received and a separate inventory was maintained on a first-in, first-out basis. 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.

The school district maintains the detailed revenue and expenditure information necessary in order to execute the USDA mandated Non-Program Food Revenue Tool at least annually.

Exhibits reflecting Child Nutrition Program operations are included in the section entitled Enterprise Funds.

### **Student Body Activities**

Our review of the Student Activity Funds did not find any areas of noncompliance.

## **Application for State School Aid**

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the handicapped, and low-income. 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 workpapers. The information that was included on the workpapers was verified. Any errors or exceptions were rectified. 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.

#### **Pupil Transportation**

Our audit 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. No exceptions were noted. 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.

#### Follow-up on Prior Year Findings

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, our procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. Corrective action had not been taken on the following prior year finding:

# Finding 2019-1:

The net cash resources exceeded the three months average expenditures at June 30, 2019.

#### 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.

# BOARD OF EDUCATION TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF UNION

# SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF NOVEMBER 7, 2019

	201	9-2020 A	Application	for State	e School A	id		S	ample for	Verificati	on		Priv	ate Schools	for Disabled	
	Reporte A.S.S on Ro	ed on .A.	Reporte Workpa On F	ed on apers	Erro		Sam Selecte Workp Full	d from	Verifie Regis On Full	sters	Reg	rs per pisters Roll Shared	Reported on A.S.S.A. as Private Schools	Sample for Verifi- cation	Sample Verified	Sample Errors
Half Day Preschool Full Day Preschool Half Day Kindegarten	63		63				63		63							
Full Day Kindergarten	156		156				156		156							
One	138		138				138		138							
Two	145		145				145		145							
Three	152		152				152		152							
Four	158		158				158		158 145							
Five	145		145 159				145 159		159							
Six	159 153		153				153		153							
Seven Eight	129		129				129		129							
Nine	133		133				133		133							
Ten	101	1	101	1			101	1	101	1						
Eleven	153	7	153	7			153	7	153	7						
Twelve	123	5	123	5			123	5	123	5						
Post-Graduate																
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)																
Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)																
Subtotal	1,908	13	1,908	13			1,908	13	1,908	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
On a sink Educations																
Special Education: Elementary School	116		116				116		116				8.0	8.0	8.0	
Middle School	88		88				88		88				8.0	8.0	8.0	
High School	83	10	83	10			83	10	83	10			20.0	20.0	20.0	
Subtotal	287	10	287	10	0	0	287	10	287	10	0	0	36.0	36.0	36.0	0.0
Co. Voc Regular																
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.			0.405				0.405		2.405		0		36.0	36.0	36.0	0.0
Totals	2,195	23	2,195	23	0	0	2,195	23	2,195	23		0	36.0	36.0	36.0	0.0
Percentage Error					0.00%	0.00%					0.00%	0.00%				0.00%
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# BOARD OF EDUCATION TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF UNION

# SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS (CONTINUED) APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF NOVEMBER 7, 2019

		Low Income		Sample	e for Verificat	ion	LE	P Low Income		Samp	le for Verifica	tion
	Reported	Reported on		Sample	Verified to		Reported	Reported on		Sample	Verified to	
	on A.S.S.A.			Selected	Application			Workpapers		Selected	Test Score	0
	as Low	as Low	<b></b>	from	and	Sample		as LEP Low	Erroro	from Workpapers	and Register	Sample Errors
	Income	Income	Errors	Workpapers	_Register_	Errors	_ Income_	Income	_Errors_	vvoikpapeis	register	
Half Day Preschool												
Full Day Preschool Half Day Kindegarten												
Full Day Kindergarten	5	5		5	5							
One	7	7		7	7		1	1		1	1	
Two	11	11		11	11		1	1		1	1	
Three	16	16		16	16		3	3		3	3	
Four	21	21		21	21		1	1		1	1	
Five	14	14		14	14		1	1		1	1	
Six	19	19		19	19							
Seven	18	18		18	18							
Eight	18	18		18	18							
Nine	18	18		18	18							
Ten	14	14		14	14							
Eleven	15	15		15	15		1	1		1	1	
Twelve	17	17		17	17							
Post-Graduate												
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)												
Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)												
Subtotal	193	193	0	193	193	0	8	8	0	8	8	0
Special Education:												
Elementary School	17	17		17	17		1	1		1	1	
Middle School	26	26		26	26		1	1		1	1	
High School	20	20		20	20							
Subtotal	63	63	0	63	63	0	2	2	0	2	2	0
Co. Voc Regular												
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.												
Totals	256	256	0	256	256	0	10	10	0	10	10	0
												0.000/
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%						0.00%
						Trans	portation					
	Reported	Reported				Traile	po. (alion					
	on	on										
	DRTRS by	DRTRS by										Re-
	DOE	District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors					Reported	Calculated
Regular - Public Schools	317	317		317	317					Grade PK stude	5.4	5.4
Regular - Special Education	56	56		56	56					Grade PK stude		5.4
Transported - Non-Public	0	0		0	0		Average Mi	leage - Special	Ed with Sp	ecial Needs	11.0	11.0
AIL	231	231		231	231							
Special Ed Spec	35	35_		35	35							
Totals	639	639	0	639	639	0						
Percentage Error						0.00%						
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# BOARD OF EDUCATION TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF UNION

# SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS (CONTINUED) APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF NOVEMBER 7, 2019

	L	EP NOT Low Income	)	Sa	ample for Verification	
	Reported on A.S.S.A.	Reported on Workpapers		Sample Selected	Verified to Application	
	as NOT Low Income	as NOT Low Income	Errors	from Workpapers	and Register	Sample Errors
Half Day Preschool Full Day Preschool Half Day Kindegarten						
Full Day Kindergarten	6	6		6	6	
One	3	3		3	3	
Two Three	5	5		5	5	
Four Five	1	1		1	1	
Six Seven	3	3		3	3	
Eight	1	1		1	1	
Nine	2	2		2	2	
Ten	2	2		2	2	
Eleven	1	1		1	1	
Twelve Post-Graduate Adult H.S. (15+CR.) Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)	1	1		1	1	
Subtotal	25	25	0	25	25	0
Special Education: Elementary School Middle School	1	1		1	1	
High School	'	1		'	'	
Subtotal	1	1	0	1	1	0
Co. Voc Regular Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec. Totals	26	26	0	26	26	0
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%

# THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION As of June 30, 2020

#### Section 1

A. 2% Calculation of Excess Surplus		
2019-2020 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR	\$	46,205,799
Decreased by: On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security Assets Acquired under Capital Leases Adjustment for Disallowed Expenditures per S1701	\$	5,724,611
Adjusted 19-20 General Fund Expenditures	\$	40,481,188
2% of Adjusted 2019-20 General Fund Expenditures	\$	809,624
Increased by Allowable Adjustment		286,155
Maximum Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance	\$	1,095,779
Section 2		
Total General Fund Balances @ 06/30/20	\$	9,383,124
Decreased by: Year-end Encumbrances Capital Reserve Legally Restricted - Excess Surplus- Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	\$	2,788,456 5,006,908
Other Restricted Fund Balances Assigned Fund Balance - Unreserved - Designated		250,000
For Subsequent Year's Expenditures		84,860
Total Unassigned Fund Balance	\$	1,252,900
Increased by: Adjustment for Disallowed Transfers per S1701	\$	
Total Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance for Excess Surplus Calculation	\$	1,252,900
Section 3		
Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus	\$ .	157,121
Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus  Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2020	\$ .	157,121
	\$ .	157,121
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2020  Reserved Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures		
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2020  Reserved Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Reserved Excess Surplus	\$	157,121
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2020  Reserved Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Reserved Excess Surplus  Total  Detail of Allowable Adjustments  Impact Aid	\$	157,121
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2020  Reserved Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Reserved Excess Surplus  Total  Detail of Allowable Adjustments	\$	157,121
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2020  Reserved Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Reserved Excess Surplus  Total  Detail of Allowable Adjustments  Impact Aid Sale and Lease-back Extraordinary Aid Additional Non public School Transportation Aid	\$	157,121 157,121
Reserved Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Reserved Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Reserved Excess Surplus  Total  Detail of Allowable Adjustments  Impact Aid Sale and Lease-back Extraordinary Aid Additional Non public School Transportation Aid Unbudgeted TPAF Wage Freeze Grant Funding	\$	157,121 157,121 286,155
Reserved Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Reserved Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Reserved Excess Surplus  Total  Detail of Allowable Adjustments  Impact Aid Sale and Lease-back Extraordinary Aid Additional Non public School Transportation Aid Unbudgeted TPAF Wage Freeze Grant Funding  Total Adjustments  Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance  Statuatory Restrictions: Approved unspent separate proposal Capital Outlay for a district with a Capital Outlay cap waiver Sale/Lease-Back Reserve Capital Reserve -year end transfer Maintenance Reserve Emergency Reserve Emergency Reserve Tuition Reserve	\$	157,121 157,121 286,155
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#### TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Audit Recommendations Summary For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020

#### Recommendations:

1. Administrative Practices and Procedures

None

2. Financial Planning. Accounting and Reporting

None

3. School Purchasing Programs

None

4. School Food Service

(2020-1) It is recommended that the School Food Authority maintain on a monthly basis the net cash resource. If the net cash resource exceeds the three months average, The SFA should develop a plan to rectify the excess cash issue.

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

A review was performed on the prior year recommendations and corrective action was taken on all prior year findings except for:

(2019-1) It is recommended that the School Food Authority maintain on a monthly basis the net cash resource. If the net cash resource exceeds the three months average, The SFA should develop a plan to rectify the excess cash issue.