# NORTHERN HIGHLANDS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS– FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE June 30, 2021



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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Northern Highlands Regional High School District County of Bergen Allendale, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Board of Education of the Northern Highlands Regional High School District, County of Bergen, New Jersey, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated March 11, 2022.

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 solely for the information and use of the Northern Highlands Regional High School District's Board of Education's management and Board members and the New Jersey Department of Education and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specific parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

PKF O'Connor Davies LLP

March 11, 2022 Cranford, New Jersey

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### ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE REPORTING

## SCOPE OF AUDIT

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

The audit did not and could not determine the character of services rendered for which payment had been made nor could it determine the character, proper price or quantity of materials supplied for which claims had been passed. These details were necessarily covered by the approval of such claims. Revenues and receipts were established and verified as to sources and amount only insofar as the records permitted.

### ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES

#### Insurance

Fire insurance coverage was carried in the amounts as detailed on Exhibit J-20 of the District's ACFR. The details of the various additional insurance coverages by the Board are also presented on this Exhibit. No attempt was made to determine the adequacy of coverage as part of this report. Adequacy of coverage is the responsibility of the Board of Education.

### Official Bonds

The following positions were covered by Surety Bonds:

Name	Position	<u>Amount</u>
Sue Anne Mather	Business Administrator/ Board Secretary	\$250,000
M. Alissa Mayer	Treasurer of School Moneys	250,000

The surety bond coverage for the Treasurer of School Moneys exceeded the minimum requirement as promulgated by the Department of Education.

#### **Tuition Charges**

Audit tests indicated that tuition charges to each of the School Districts sending pupils to Northern Highlands regional High School were billed in accordance with the terms of the applicable contracts, and no tuition adjustments were required.

# FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

## Examination of Claims

Claims were examined for the period under review and were found to be in good order.

### Payroll Account

The Board maintained the Net Payroll and Agency Account method for the depositing and payment of its payrolls. The net payrolls from all sources are deposited in the payroll account and all payroll deductions, together with the Board's share, are deposited to the 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. Tests were made of these records with no exceptions noted.

Salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including withholdings for employee health benefit contributions, which were transferred timely to the general fund.

Upon the completion of payroll processing and proofs thereof, transfers to the Net Payroll and Agency accounts, in amounts equal to those indicated in the payroll summary reports, are effected by electronic funds transfers.

## TPAF Reimbursement to the State for Federal Salary Expenditures

The reimbursement to the State for the amount of the expenditure charged to the current year's Final Report for all federal awards for the District to reimburse the State for the TPAF Pension and Social Security 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.

## Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Payable

A review of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30, 2021 for goods not yet received or services not yet rendered. Unpaid purchase orders included in the balance of accounts payable were reviewed for propriety and to determine that goods were received and services rendered as of June 30, 2021. Tests of subsequent period disbursements did not identify any unrecorded accounts payable at year-end.

#### Classification of Expenditures

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A: 23-2.2(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

# FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING (Cont'd):

## Travel

Tests were performed to determine the existence of required policy documents and the District's compliance with same with respect to the timely approval and appropriate reimbursement rates for approved travel. No exceptions were noted.\_

## Investment of Idle Funds

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the Board had substantially all of its cash and cash equivalents for all of its funds and accounts in interest bearing depository accounts. Valley National Bank served as the primarily depository of the Board for the entirety of the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

While interest earnings during the year remained below peak amounts earned prior to the recent recession, reflecting the low interest rate environment that has existed for secure, short-term investments of idle funds, it is important to note that reported interest decreased during the current cycle to \$3,086 from \$117,177 during the prior period.

## Board Secretary's Records

The minutes maintained by the Board Secretary were in good condition.

The financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary were found to be in good condition.

## Capital Assets

During the period under review the capital asset accounting and reporting system was maintained satisfactorily to provide for all the required financial information for the District's basic financial statements. The District engaged an outside consultant to update the full physical inventory and valuation of the District's capital assets that was performed in the prior period. Additions and deletions reported in the consultant's report match financial records maintained by the business office.

## Elementary and Secondary Education Act (E.S.E.A.) 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 ACFR. This section of the ACFR documents the financial position pertaining to the projects under Titles I and VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended and reauthorized.

## Other Special Federal and/or State Projects

The District's Special Projects were approved as listed on Schedule A located in the ACFR. The total federal program expenditures of \$411,916 during the 2020-21 school year fell below the triggering threshold of \$750,000, and as a result, a federal single audit pursuant to *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative* 

# FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING (Cont'd):

## Other Special Federal and/or State Projects (Cont'd):

*Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements* (Uniform Guidance) was not required.

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 ACFR. This section of the ACFR documents the financial position pertaining to the aforementioned special projects.

## T.P.A.F. Reimbursement

Our audit procedures included a test of the semi-monthly 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

# N.J.S.A. 18A: 18A-3 states"

"a. When the cost or price of any contract awarded by the purchasing agent in the aggregate, does not exceed in a contract year the total sum of \$17,500, the contract may be awarded by a purchasing agent when so authorized by resolution of the board of education without public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except that the board of education may adopt a resolution to set a lower threshold for the receipt of public bids or the solicitation of competitive quotes. If the If the purchasing agent is qualified pursuant to subsection b. of section 9 of P.L. 1971, c.198 (C.40A: 11-9) the board of education may establish that the bid threshold may be up to \$25,000. Such authorization may be granted for each contract or by general delegation of the power to negotiate and award such contracts pursuant to this section."

"b. Commencing in the fifth year after the year in which P.L. 1999. c.440 takes effect, and every five years thereafter, the Governor, in consultation with the Department of Treasury, shall adjust the threshold amount and the higher threshold amount which the board of education is permitted to establish as set forth in subsection a. of this section to the threshold amount resulting from any adjustment under this subsection, in direct proportion to the rise or fall of the index rate as that term is defined in N.J.S. 18A:18A-2, and shall round the adjustment to the nearest \$1,000.

The Governor shall notify all local school districts of the adjustment no later than June 1 of every fifth year. The adjustment shall become effective on July 1, of the year in which it is made."

## SCHOOL PURCHASING PROGRAMS (CONT'D):

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

"Any contract made pursuant to this section may be awarded for a period of 24 consecutive months, except that contracts for professional services pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection a. of N.J.S.18A:18A-5 may be awarded for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months."

<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-4 states, "Every contract or agreement for the performance of any goods or services, the cost of which in the aggregate exceeds the bid threshold, shall be awarded only by resolution of the board of education to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this chapter or specifically by any other law."

Effective July 1, 2020 and thereafter the bid thresholds in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-2 (as amended) and 18A:18A-3(a) are \$44,000 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agent) and \$32,000 (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 currently \$19,600 for 2020-21.

The Board of Education has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the statutory thresholds within the fiscal 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.

Inasmuch as the system of records did not provide for an accumulation of payments for categories for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the results of such an accumulation could not reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear-cut violations existed.

Our tests did not reveal any instances of individual payments, contracts or agreements for the performance of work or the provision of goods or services in excess of the statutory thresholds where there had been no advertising for bids in accordance with the provision of <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:18A-4, amended.

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

The system of records did not provide for an accumulation of purchases for which the school board used contracts entered into by the State Department of Purchase and Property pursuant to Ch. 114, P.L. 1977, therefore, the extent of such purchases could not reasonably be ascertained.

The results of the audit indicated that the existing procurement policies and procedures were adequate to identify contemplated purchases that required additional procedures (quotes, bids, etc.) to comply with the provisions of the School Contracts Law, and no instances of non-compliance were identified by the audit.

Any interpretation as to possible violation of statute(s) would be in the province of the Board's solicitor.

## SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE FUND

The District does not participate in any subsidized federal or state sponsored school nutrition programs.

The District has contracted with a Food Service management Company (FSMC) and utilized the standard contract form recommended by the regulatory agency. As required by the contract, the FSMC provided a report of its internal controls under Statement on Standards for attestation Engagements No. 16 (SSAE 16). We reviewed this report (type 2) as provided by the FSMC and found it to contain a detailed description of the FSMC's internal control objectives and the relevant control processes and procedures put in place to achieve those objectives. The report provided the minimum information necessary for us to gain an understanding of the FMSC's internal control. We are required to gain this understanding in order to plan our audit of the District's Food Service Fund. The report also provided assurances, based upon testing, relating to the operating effectiveness of the controls to achieve the related control objectives included in the description throughout a period that included the most of the school year.

Audit tests of FMSC financial reports indicated that vendor invoices or approved transfer forms were available to support amounts claimed as inventory purchases and other costs, and amounts reported as sales and purchased account credits could be reconciled to amounts deposited or credited to the District bank account.

Exhibits reflecting Food Services Fund operations are included in the section entitled Enterprise Funds, Section B.

### Student Activity Funds

The recordkeeping of the various student activities funds were reviewed for the 2020-2021 school year. The records were maintained in good condition.

## Application for State School Aid

Our audit procedures included tests of information reported in the October 15, 2020 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 workpapers without exception. The information that was included on the workpapers was verified without exception. The results or 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

The State Aid Cluster was not tested as a major program for purposes of the State single audit and therefore limited procedures were performed over the A.S.S.A.

## Pupil Transportation

Our procedures included a test of on-roll status reported in the 2020-21 District Report of Resident Transported Students (DRTRS). The information 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 included a review of transportation related contracts and purchases. Based on our review, the District complied with proper bidding procedures and award of contracts. No exceptions were noted in our review of transportation related purchases of goods and services.

Transportation Aid was not tested as a major program for purposes of the State Single Audit and therefore limited procedures were performed over the DRTRS.

### 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. 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).

## Status of Prior Year Findings:

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, our procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. As there were no recommendations contained in the prior year report, no corrective actions were required.

#### Acknowledgment

During the course of our audit, we received the complete cooperation of all the officials of the School District, and we greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to us.

#### SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

#### NORTHERN HIGHLANDS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2020

		2021-20	022 Applicatio	on for State Sc	hool Aid		Sample for Verification					Pr	vate Schools	for Disabled	
	A.S	orted on S.S.A. Roll Shared	Repo Work	rted on papers Roll Shared		rrors Shared	Sample Selected From Workpapers Full Share	Veril Reg Or	n Roll Shared	Error Regi On I Full	ster	Reported on A.S.S.A. Private Schools	Sample for Verifi- cation	Sample Verified	Sample Errors
Half Day Preschool - 3 Years Old Half Day Preschool - 4 Years Old Half Day Kindergarten Full Day Kindergarten One Two Three Four Five Six Seven Eight Nine Ten Eleven Twelve Adult High School (15+ credits) Adult High School (1-14 credits)	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1.0	- - - - - - 262.0 305.0 307.0 309.0	1.0				-							
Subtotals	1,183.0	1.0	1,183.0	1.0											
Special Ed - Elementary Special Ed - Middle School Special Ed - High School Sent to CSSD	- - 180.0 -		180.0		-							18.0			
Subtotals	180.0		180.0									18.0			
Totals	1,363.0	1.0	1,363.0	1.0		·						18.0			

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Percentage Error

#### SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

#### NORTHERN HIGHLANDS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2020

	Lo	w Income			Sample for Verific	cation	Resident LEP Low Income Sample for Verific			mple for Verificati	ation		
	Reported on A.S.S.A. As Low Income	Reported on Workpapers As Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected Fr Workpape	om And	Sample Errors	Reported on A.S.S.A. as LEP low Income	Reported on Workpapers as LEP low Income Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Test Score and Register	Sample Errors		
Kindergarten	-	-	-	-	-	-							
One Two	-	-	-	-	-	-							
Three	-	-	-	-	-	-							
Four		-	-										
Five	-	-	-		-	-							
Six	-	-	-	-	-	-							
Seven	-	-	-	-	-	-							
Eight	-	-		-	-	-							
Nine	1.0	1.0		-	-	-							
Ten	2.0	2.0			-	-							
Eleven	3.0	3.0		-	-	-							
Twelve	1.0	1.0											
Subtotals	7.0	7.0											
Special Ed - Elementary Special Ed - Middle Special Ed - High	6.0	6.0											
Subtotals	6.0	6.0											
Co. Voc Regular Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec													
Totals	13.0	13.0											
Percentage Error													
	Reported on DRTRS by District	Reported on DRTRS by County	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors							
Regular - Public School Non-Public Transportation AlL Non-public Regular Special Education Special Needs Totals	454.0 30.0 44.0 85.5 25.5 639.0	454.0 30.0 44.0 85.5 25.5 639.0	- - - - -		   	- - - - - -	Avera	age mileage - regular inclu age mileage - regular exclu age mileage - special educ	ding Grade PK students	<u>Reported</u> 5.8 5.8 13.2	Recalculated 5.8 5.8 13.2		
Percentage Error													

#### SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

#### NORTHERN HIGHLANDS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2020

		ent LEP NOT Low Inco	Sample for Verification					
	Reported on A.S.S.A as NOT Low Income	Reported on Workpapers as NOT Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected From Workpapers	Verified per Test Score and Register	Sample Errors		
Half Day Preschool Half Day Kindergarten Full Day Kindergarten One Two Three Four Five Six Seven Eight Nine Ten Eleven Twelve Adult High School (15+ credits) Adult High School (1-14 credits)	2.0 4.0 2.0	2.0 4.0 2.0						
Subtotals	8.0	8.0						
Special Ed-Elementary Special Ed - Middle School Special Ed - High School								
Subtotals								
C. Voc Regular C. Voc. Ft. Post Sec. To	tals <u>8.0</u>	8.0						
Percentage Error								

## EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION

### **SECTION 1 - REGULAR DISTRICT**

### A. 4% Calculation of Excess Surplus

2020-21 Total General Fund Expenditures per the ACFR "C-1" Increased byApplicable Operating Transfers:	\$	34,771,707	_(B)		
Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund	\$	-	(B1a)		
Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund	\$	-	(B1b)		
Transfer from General Fund to SRF for Pre-K Regular	\$	_	(B1c)		
Transfer from General Fund to SRF for Pre-K Inclusion	\$	-	(B1d)		
			-		
Decreased by					
Decreased by: On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security	\$	5,700,799	(B2a)		
Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases	\$	5,700,799	(B2b)		
Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases	Ψ	_	_(020)		
Adjusted 2020-21 General Fund Expenditures		29,070,908	(B3)		
[(B)+(B1s)-B2s)]		_0,0.0,000	_(==)		
4% of Adjusted 2020-21 General Fund Expenditures					
[(B3) times .04]	\$	1,162,836	(B4))		
Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000	\$	1,162,836	(B5)		
Increased by: Allowable Adjustment*	\$	270,604	(K)		
Maximum Unassigned/Undesignated-Unreserved Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)	]		\$	1,433,440	(M)
Maximum Unassigned/Undesignated-Unreserved Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)	]		\$	1,433,440	(M)
	]		\$	1,433,440	(M)
SECTION 2	\$	7,520,531		1,433,440	_(M)
SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21	-		_(C )	1,433,440	_(M)
SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison schedule C-1) Decreased by: Reserve for Encumbrances	-	7,520,531 912,012	_(C )	1,433,440	_(M)
SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison schedule C-1) Decreased by: Reserve for Encumbrances Legally Restricted -Designated for Subsequent Year's	\$ \$		_(C ) _(C1)	1,433,440	(M)
SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison schedule C-1) Decreased by: Reserve for Encumbrances Legally Restricted -Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	\$		_(C )	1,433,440	(M)
SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison schedule C-1) Decreased by: Reserve for Encumbrances Legally Restricted -Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Legally Restricted-Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent	\$ \$ \$	912,012	_(C ) _(C1) _(C2)	1,433,440	<u>(</u> (M)
SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison schedule C-1) Decreased by: Reserve for Encumbrances Legally Restricted -Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Legally Restricted-Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures **	\$ \$ \$	912,012	_(C ) _(C1) _(C2) (C3)	1,433,440	(M)
SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison schedule C-1) Decreased by: Reserve for Encumbrances Legally Restricted -Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Legally Restricted-Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures ** Other Reserved Fund Balances****	\$ \$ \$	912,012	_(C ) _(C1) _(C2) (C3)	1,433,440	(M)
SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison schedule C-1) Decreased by: Reserve for Encumbrances Legally Restricted -Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Legally Restricted-Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures ** Other Reserved Fund Balances**** Assigned Unreserved Fund Balance - Designated	\$ \$ \$ \$	912,012	_(C ) _(C1) _(C2) _(C3) _(C4)	1,433,440	(M)
SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison schedule C-1) Decreased by: Reserve for Encumbrances Legally Restricted -Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Legally Restricted-Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures ** Other Reserved Fund Balances****	\$ \$ \$	912,012	_(C ) _(C1) _(C2) (C3)	1,433,440	(M)
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SECTION 2 Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/21 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison schedule C-1) Decreased by: Reserve for Encumbrances Legally Restricted -Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Legally Restricted-Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures ** Other Reserved Fund Balances**** Assigned Unreserved Fund Balance - Designated	\$ \$ \$ \$	912,012	_(C ) _(C1) _(C2) _(C3) _(C4)	2,465,735	- * * *

#### SECTION 3

Restricted Fund Balance-Excess Surplus ***((U1-(M)) If negative enter -0- <b>Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2021</b>	\$ 1,032,295 (E)
Reserved Excess Surplus-Designated for Subsequent Year's	
Expenditures**	\$ 1,396,289 (C3)
Reserved Excess Surplus***(E)	\$ 1,032,295 (E)
Total Excess Surplus [(C3) +(E)]	\$ 2,428,584 (D)

#### Footnotes:

\*Allowable adjustment to expenditures on line K must be as follows. This adjustment line (as (detailed below) is to be utilized when applicable for:

- (H) Federal Impact Aid. The passage of P.L. 2015, c. 46 amended NJSA 18A:7F-41 to permit a board of education to appropriate federal impact aid funds to establish or supplement a federal impact aid legal reserve in the general fund. Accordingly, the Federal Impact Aid adjustment to expenditures is limited to the portion of Federal Impact Aid Section 8002 and 8003 received during the fiscal year and recognized as revenue on the General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule, but not transferred to the Federal Impact AidReserve-General (8002 or 8003) by Boatd resolution during June of the fiscal year under audit. Amounts transferred to the reserve are captured on line (C4).
- (I) Sale and Leaseback (Refer to audit Program Section II, Chapter 10)
- (J1) Extraordinary Aid
- (J2) Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid
- (J3) Recognized current year School Bus Advertising Revenue, and
- (J4) Family Crisis Transportation Aid
- Notes to auditor: Refer to audit Program Section II, Chapter 10 for restrictions on the oinclusion of Extraordinary Aid, FamilyCrisis Transportation Aid, and Additional Non public School Transportation Aid

#### **Detail of Allowable Adjustments**

Impact Aid	\$ (H)
Sale & Lease-back	\$ (I)
Extraordinary Aid	\$ 249,920 (J1)
Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid	\$ 20,684 (J2)
Current year School Bus Advertising Rev. Recognized	\$ (J3)
Family Crisis Transportation Aid	\$ (J4)
Total Adjustments [(H)+(I)+(J1)+(J2)+(J3)]	\$ 270,604 (K)

\*\* This amount represents the June 30, 2021 Excess Surplus (C3 above) and must be included in the Audit Summary Worksheet Line 90031.

\*\*\* Amount must agree to the June 30, 2021 ACFR and must agree to Audit Summary Worksheet Line 90030.

\*\*\*\*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 any 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 spearate proposal (see below)	\$
Sale/lease-back reserve	\$
Capital Reserve	\$ 1,927,930
Maintenance Reserve	\$ 545,829
Emergency Reserve	\$ 199,635
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 (Sec. 8002 & 8003)	\$
Impact Aid Capital Fund Reserve (Sec. 8007 & 8008)	\$
Unemployment liability reserve	\$ 73,101
(Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above)****	\$
Total Other Reserved Fund Balance	\$ 2,746,495 (C4)

Note: Amounts reported above as "Approved Unspent Separate Proposal" represent proceeds from an approved Lease/Purchase Agreement held in trust by a designated Trustee that may be expended only for the purpose set forth in the Lease/Purchase Agreement.

# NORTHERN HIGHLANDS REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS SUMMARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

Recommendations:

1. Administrative Practices and Procedures

None

2. Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

None

3. School Purchasing Programs

None

4. <u>School Food Service</u>

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 recommedaations as a result no correction action was required.