

TUCKERTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT
COUNTY OF OCEAN
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AUDITORS MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS

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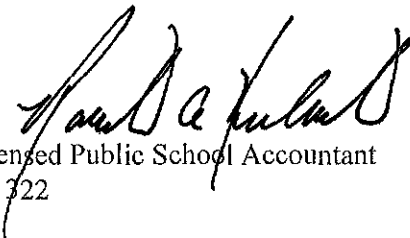
REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

Honorable President and Members
of the Board of Education
Tuckerton School District
County of Monmouth, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with generally accepted audit standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the general purpose financial statements of the Board of Education of the Tuckerton School District in the County of Ocean for the year ended June 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated February 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 for the information of the Tuckerton Board of Education's management and the New Jersey Department of Education. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.



Licensed Public School Accountant
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February 11, 2022

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 Monies, 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 district's ACFR.

Officials Bonds

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Janet Gangemi	School Business Administrator/ Treasurer	\$180,000

There is a Public Employees' Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond with the Selective Company covering all other employees with multiple coverage of \$50,000.

Tuition Charges

A comparison of tentative tuition charges and actual certified tuition charges was made. The Board made a proper adjustment to the billings to sending districts for the per pupil costs in accordance with N.J.A.C 6A:23-3.1(f)3.

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 Net 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 Board in the bill lists in the minute records and were certified by the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator and the Superintendent.

Salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies.

Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Payable

A review of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30, for goods not yet received or services not yet rendered and it was determined that no blanket purchase orders were included in the balance of the reserves for encumbrances. Also, unpaid purchase orders included in the balance of accounts payable were reviewed for propriety and to determine that goods were received and services were rendered as of June 30. No exceptions were noted.

Board Secretary's Records

Our review of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary disclosed no reportable conditions

Treasurer's Records

The Treasurer's records were in agreement with the records of the Board Secretary at year end.

The Treasurer's cash balance for the general operating account was in agreement with the reconciled cash balance as determined during the audit.

Classification of Expenditures

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.2(g) as part of our test of transaction 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-2.4. As a result of the procedures performed, a transaction error rate of 0% was noted and no additional procedures were deemed necessary to test the propriety of expenditure classification.

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.

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (E.S.E.A.)/Improving America's Schools Act (IASA) as reauthorized by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

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 projects under Title I, Title IIA and Title IV of the E.S.E.A.

The study of compliance for E.S.E.A. indicated 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 Schedule A and Schedule B located in the ACFR.

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.

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 \$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 \$19,600 for 2020-21.

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 our examination, 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 agreement for "Professional Services" per *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5*.

School Food Service Fund

The District, in 2012-2013 entered into an agreement with the Pinelands Regional School District to operate its food service operations.

Pinelands Regional School District will operate the food service on a profit and loss basis. The Tuckerton Board of Education shall be entitled to all profits derived from the operations. The Tuckerton Board of Education shall reimburse Pinelands Regional for any documented losses resulting from the food service operation.

Exhibits reflecting Child Nutrition Program operations are included in the section entitled Enterprise Funds, Section G of the ACFR.

Application for State School Aid

Our audit procedures included a test 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 of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

The district maintained workpapers on the prescribed state forms or their equivalent.

The districts written procedures appear to be adequate for the recording of student enrollment data.

Pupil Transportation

Our audit procedures included a test of on roll status reported in the 2020-2021 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 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's Findings

None Reported.

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 staff.

4% Calculation of Excess Surplus

2020-21 Total General Fund Expenditures Per the ACFR	\$ 6,082,936
Decreased by:	
On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security	<u>(1,038,451)</u>
Adjusted 2020-21 General Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ 5,044,485</u>
4% of Adjusted 2020-21 General Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ 201,779</u>
Minimum Allowed	\$ 250,000
Increased by Allowable Adjustment	<u>870</u>
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance	<u>\$ 250,870</u>
Total General Fund -- Fund Balance @ 6-30-21	\$ 2,156,147
Decreased by:	
Reserved for Encumbrances	304,514
Unemployment Compensation	19,260
Designated for Subsequent Years Expenditures -- Excess Surplus	169,480
Designated for Subsequent Years Expenditures -- Maintenance	
Reserve Withdrawal	105,000
Reserves	<u>1,147,980</u>
Total Unassigned Fund Balance	<u>\$ 409,913</u>
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance	<u>\$ 250,870</u>
Reserved Fund Balance -- Excess Surplus	<u>\$ 159,043</u>
<u>Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2021</u>	
Reserved Fund Balance -- Excess Surplus	\$ 159,043
Designated for Subsequent Years Expenditures -- Excess Surplus	<u>169,480</u>
	<u>\$ 328,523</u>
<u>Detail of Reserves</u>	
Capital Reserve	\$ 731,176
Maintenance Reserve	<u>416,804</u>
	<u>\$ 1,147,980</u>
<u>Detail of Allowable Adjustments</u>	
Non-Public Transportation Aid	<u>\$ 870</u>

TUCKERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY
ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2020

	2021-2022 Application for State School Aid						Sample for Verification						Private Schools for Handicapped				
	Reported On		Reported on		Errors		Sample Selected		Verified Per		Errors Per Registers		Reported On	Sample for	Sample	Sample	
	A.S.S.A. on Roll	Workpapers on Roll	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	from Workpapers	Registers on Roll	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	A.S.S.A. as	Verification	Verified	Errors	
	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Private Schools				
Full Day Preschool - 3yrs Old	13		13				13		13								
Full Day Preschool - 4yrs Old	20		20				20		20								
Full Day Kindergarten	46		46				46		46								
One	39		39				39		39								
Two	42		42				42		42								
Three	33		33				33		33								
Four	36		36				36		36								
Five	39		39				39		39								
Six	42		42				42		42								
Seven																	
Eight																	
Subtotal	<u>310</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Special Ed. - Elementary	36		36				36		36								
Special Ed. - Middle School	5		5				5		5								
Special Ed. - High School																	
Subtotal	<u>41</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Co. Voc. - Regular																	
Co. Voc. - Ft. Post Sec.																	
Totals	<u>351</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>351</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>351</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>351</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Percentage Error					<u>0%</u>	<u>0%</u>					<u>0%</u>	<u>0%</u>					<u>0%</u>

TUCKERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY

ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2020

	Low Income			Sample for Verification			Resident LEP Low Income			Sample for Verification		
	Reported on A.S.S.A. as Low Income	Reported on Workpapers as Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Application and Register	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
	Full Day Preschool - 4yrs											
Full Day Preschool - 3yrs												
Full Day Kindergarten	18	18		18	18							
One	19	19		19	19		1	1		1	1	
Two	19	19		19	19		2	2		2	2	
Three	11	11		11	11							
Four	13	13		13	13							
Five	9	9		9	9							
Six	8	8		8	8							
Subtotal	97	97	0	97	97	0	3	3	0	3	3	0
Special Ed. - Elementary	27	27		27	27		2	2		2	2	
Special Ed. - Middle School												
Special Ed. - High School												
Subtotal	27	27	0	27	27	0	2	2	0	2	2	0
Totals	124	124	0	124	124	0	5	5	0	5	5	0
Percentage Error			0%			0%			0%			0%

	Resident LEP Not Low Income			Sample for Verification		
	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
N/A			0			0
Percentage Error			0%			0%

	Transportation						Reported	Recalculated
	Reported on DRTRS by DOE	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors		
	Reg. - Public Schools	4	4		4	4		
Reg. - Special Ed.	8	8		8	8			
Transported - Non-Public								
Regular Ed. With Special Needs	3	3		3	3			
Totals	15	15	0	15	15	0		
Percentage Error			0%			0%		

	Reported	Recalculated
Avg. Mileage - Regular Including Grade PK Students	2.9	2.9
Avg. Mileage - Regular Excluding Grade PK Students	2.9	2.9
Avg. Mileage - Special Ed. With Special Needs	2.6	2.6

TUCKERTON 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. 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 recommendations.