## BOARD OF EDUCATION BOROUGH OF BROOKLAWN COUNTY OF CAMDEN

AUDITORS MANAGEMENT REPORT
ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS
- FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2022

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

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

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Brooklawn School District Brooklawn, 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 Brooklawn School District, in the County of Camden for the year ended June 30, 2022, and have issued my report thereon dated January 30, 2023.

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 Brooklawn 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 No. CS01095

Marlton, New Jersey January 30, 2023

#### 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 district's ACFR.

#### **Officials Bonds**

Samuel Dutkin Board Secretary/Business Administrator \$ 35,000 Deborah Roncace Treasurer 171,000

There is a Comprehensive Crime policy covering all other employees with multiple coverage of \$500,000.

#### P.L. 2020, c,44

Our audit procedures included an inquiry and subsequent review of health benefit data required per N.J.S.A.18A:16-13.3 (Chapter 44) submitted for the year on audit. The Chapter 44 summary report was reviewed for reasonableness and timeliness.

The data submitted did include all health benefit plans offered by school district.

The school district data certification was completed by the chief school administrator. The school district Chapter 44 data was submitted timely.

## **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 discrepancies with respect to signatures, certifications or supporting documentation.

#### Payroll Account

The net salaries of all employees of the School 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.

Salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including health benefits withholding due to the general fund.

## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

## Payroll Account (Continued)

Payrolls were delivered to the secretary of the board who then deposited with warrants in separate bank accounts for net payroll and withholdings.

The Payroll Account records were maintained in satisfactory condition.

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

No exceptions were noted during an 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 with respect to 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/Business Administrator's Record**

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

#### Treasurer's Records

The financial and accounting records of the Treasurer were maintained in satisfactory 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 ACFR. This section of the ACFR documents the financial position pertaining to the projects under Titles I, IIA, and IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended and reauthorized.

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

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

The School District's Special Projects were approved as listed on Schedule A and Schedule B located in the ACFR.

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

The study of compliance for the special projects did not indicate any exceptions.

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

My audit procedures included a test 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.

#### T.P.A.F. Reimbursement to the State for Federal Salary Expenditures

There were no TPAF employee salaries charged to federal award expenditures that would require reimbursement to the State of New Jersey for TPAF Pension or FICA paid on-behalf of the district.

#### Nonpublic State Aid

Not Applicable.

#### **School Purchasing Programs**

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 \$20,200 for 2021-22.

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.

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, as amended.

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

#### **School Food Service**

#### PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

In accordance with the Governor's Declaration of Emergency pertaining to the public health emergency 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 eligible students during the period of school closures. Governor Murphy's emergency declaration ended June 4, 2021; however, the United States Department of Agriculture's federal waiver continued through June 30, 2022. Food Service Agencies operated under this federal waiver.

## **School Food Service (Continued)**

As a result, School Food Authorities (SFAs) were required to provide meals in accordance with the regulations governing the National School Nutrition Seamless Summer Option (SSO). SFAs could also choose to participate in the National School Lunch Program utilizing standard counting and claiming practices.

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 all children throughout the age of 18, as well as persons over 18 with disabilities as defined in the regulations.

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 students during the emergency.

The school food service program was not selected as a major federal and/or State program. However, the program expenditures exceeded \$100,000 in federal and/or State support. Accordingly, I 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.

I 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 or indirect costs.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets (ACFR Schedule B-5) does separate program and non-program revenue and program and non-program cost of goods sold.

I inquired of management about the public health emergency procedures/practices that the SFA instituted to provide meals to all students, maintenance of all applicable production records; meal counts; noncompetitive procurements; modifications of existing contracts and applicable financial records to document the specific costs applicable to the emergency operations. I also inquired if the FSMC received a loan in accordance with the Payroll Protection Plan and whether the funds were used to pay for costs applicable to the Food Service Programs. I also inquired if the PPP loan was subsequently forgiven and the FSMC refunded or credited the applicable amounts to the SFA.

#### **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, 2021 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 with no exceptions noted. The results of my procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

## **Pupil Transportation**

My procedures included a test of on roll status reported in the 2021-2022 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 School 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.

#### **Facilities and Capital Assets**

My procedures included a review of the SDA grant agreement for consistency with recording SDA revenue and awarding of contracts for eligible facilities construction.

#### 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 Year Findings

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

## Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance (OFAC) Findings

There were no Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance (OFAC) audit reports issued during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

#### **Acknowledgment**

I received the complete cooperation of all the officials of the Brooklawn School District, and I greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to us.

Respectfully submitted,

INVERSO & STEWART, LLC
Certified Public Accountants

Robert P. Inverso

Public School Accountant

January 30, 2023

#### **SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS**

## **Brooklawn School District**

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

## Enrollment as of October 15, 2021

	2022-202	23 Application for Sta	e School Aid		Sample for Verification	Private Schools for Disabled				
	Reported on ASSA <u>On Roll</u> Full Shared	Reported on Workpapers <u>On Roll</u> d Full Shared	<u>Errors</u> Full Shared	Sample Selected From <u>Workpapers</u> Full Shared	Verified per Registers <u>On Roll</u> Full Shared	Errors per Registers <u>On Roll</u> Full Shared	Reported on ASSA as Private Schools	Sample for Verifi- cation	Sample Verified	Sample Errors
Full Day Pre K - 4	12	12	-	6	6	-				
Full Day K One	29 19	29 19	-	15 10	15 10	-				
Two	22	22	-	11	11	-				
Three	30	30	-	16	16	-				
Four	23	23	-	12	12	-				
Five	29	29	-	15	15	-				
Six	23	23	-	12	12	-				
Seven	31	31	-	16	16	-				
Eight	21	21	<u> </u>	11	11	<u> </u>				
	239 -	239 -		124 -	124		<u> </u>			
SpEd Elementary	24	24	_	12	12	_				_
SpEd Middle School	22	22	-	11	11	-				_
SpEd High School							3	3	3	
Subtotal	46	46	<u>-</u>	24 -			3_	3	3	
Totals	285 -	285 -		148 -	148		3	3	3	
Percentage Error			0.00% N/A			0.00% N/A				0.00%

#### **Schedule of Audited Enrollments**

## **Brooklawn School District**

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

#### Enrollment as of October 15, 2021

	Resident Low Income			Sample for Verification		Resid	Resident LEP Low Income			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	Reported on ASSA 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 Pre K - 4 Full Day K One Two Three Four Five Six Seven Eight Nine Ten Eleven Twelve	18 9 14 23 8 21 13 14 16 4 7	18 9 14 23 8 21 13 14 16 4 7	-	10 5 8 13 5 12 7 8 9 2 4 2 3	10 5 8 13 5 12 7 8 9 2 4 2 3		1 1 1	1 1 1		- 1 - - 1 1 - - - -	1 - - 1 1 1 - - -	-
· ···onc	156	156		89	89		3	3	-	3	3	
SpEd Elementary SpEd Middle School SpEd High School	15 19 13	15 19 13	- - -	9 11 7	9 11 7	- - -	2	2	- - -	2 - -	2 -	- - -
Subtotal	47	47		27	27		2	2		2	2	
Totals	203	203		116	116		5	5		4	4	
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%			0.00%			0.00%
	Reported on DRTRS by DOE	Reported on DRTRS by District	Transpo	rtation Tested	Verified	Errors				Danastad	Deceleulated	
Reg. Public School , col. 1 Reg. Special Education, col. 4 AlL Trans-Non-Public, col. 3 Special Needs, Col. 6	15 - - 4 19	15 - - 4 19	- - - -	13 - - 3 16	13 - - 3 16	- - - -	Avg. Mileage - Regula Avg. Mileage - Regula Avg. Mileage - Specia	r Excluding Grade F	PK students	8.7 8.7 15.3	8.7 8.7 15.3	
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%						

## **Schedule of Audited Enrollments**

## **Brooklawn School District**

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

## Enrollment as of October 15, 2021

	Resid	lent LEP NOT Low In	come	Sar	nple for Verification	1
	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
Full Day K	1	1	-	1	1	_
One	1	1	-	1	1	-
Two	1	1	-	1	1	-
Three	-	-	-	-	-	-
Four	1	1	-	1	1	-
Five	-	-	-	-	-	-
Six	1	1	-	1	1	-
Seven	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eight	1	1	-	1	1	-
Nine	1	1	-	1	1	-
Ten	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eleven	-	-	-	-	-	-
Twelve						
Subtotal	7	7		6	6	
SpEd Elementary	_	_	_	<u>-</u>	_	_
SpEd Middle School	_	_	_	_	_	_
SpEd High School	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>-</u> _	<u>-</u> _		<u> </u>
Subtotal			<u> </u>			
Totals	7	7	<u> </u>	6	6	
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%

## **BROOKLAWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION**

## **SECTION 1 - Regular Districts**

## A. 4% Calculation of Excess Surplus

2021-22 Total General Fund Expenditures per the ACFR, 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	\$ 6,982,880 (B)  \$ (B1a) \$ (B1b) \$ (B1c) \$ (B1d)  \$ (1,197,750) (B2a) \$ (B2b)
Adjusted 2021-22 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)+(B2s)]	\$5,785,130_ (B3)
4% of Adjusted 2021-22 General Fund Expenditures [(B3) times .04] Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000 Increased by: Allowable Adjustment  Maximum Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)]  SECTION 2	\$ 231,405 (B4) \$ 250,000 (B5) \$ 302,802 (K) \$ 552,802 (M)
Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6-30-22 (Per ACFR 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 -	\$ <u>936,420</u> (C) \$ (C1) \$ (C2) \$ (C3) \$ <u>383,770</u> (C4)
Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6-30-22 (Per ACFR 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	\$(C1) \$(C2) \$(C3)

\$\_\_\_\_\_552,650\_(U1)

Total Unassigned Fund Balance [(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)]

#### **BROOKLAWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION**

(E)

Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus [(U2)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE ENTER -0-

Maintenance of Equity Aid and State Military Impact Aid

Total Adjustments [(H)+(I)+(J1)+(J2)+(J3)+(J4)]

## **SECTION 3 - All Districts**

 -	· —	(-/
	\$	(C3)
	\$	(E)
	\$	(D)
\$	(H)	
\$	(I)	
\$ 45,675	(J1)	
\$	(J2)	
\$	(J3)	
\$	(J4)	
\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	\$ \$ \$ 45,675	\$\$  \$  \$  \$  \$  (H)  (I)  \$(I)  \$(J1)  \$(J2)  \$(J3)

\$ 257,127 (J5)

302,802 (K)

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

received July 2022

Statutory restrictions:		
Approved unspent separate proposal	\$	
Sale/lease-back reserve	\$	
Capital reserve	\$ 163,342	
Maintenance reserve	\$ 202,002	
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)	\$	
Impact Aid Capitial Fund Reserve (Sections 8007 and 8008)	\$	
Other state/government mandated reserves	\$	
Reserve for Unemployment Fund	\$ 18,426	
Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above	\$	
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance	\$ 383,770	(C4

# AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS SUMMARY For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

## Recommendations:

None

1. Administrative Practices and Procedures

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.	<u>Facilities and Capital Assets</u>
	None
9.	<u>Miscellaneous</u>
	None
10.	Status of Prior Year Audit Findings/Recommendations
	There were no prior year findings/recommendations.