

**Gloucester County Special  
Services  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER**

**AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT  
ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS-  
FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE  
AND PERFORMANCE**

**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED  
JUNE 30, 2022**

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Auditor's Management Report on Administrative  
Findings - Financial, Compliance and Performance

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**AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE  
FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE**

The Honorable President and  
Members of the Board of Education  
Gloucester County Special Services School District  
County of Gloucester, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Board of Education of the Gloucester County Special Services School District, in the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, which were separately issued in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report dated March 17, 2023.

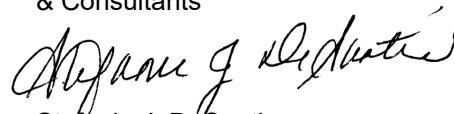
As part of our audit, we also performed procedures required by the New Jersey Department of Education, and the findings and results thereof are disclosed on the following pages, as listed in the accompanying table of contents.

This report is issued in conjunction with the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the Board of Education of the Gloucester County Special Services School District, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, and is intended for the information of the School District's management and the New Jersey Department of Education. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Respectfully submitted,



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Woodbury, New Jersey  
March 17, 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 School District's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR).

**Official Bonds (N.J.S.A. 18A: 17-26, 18A:17-32, 18A:13-13)**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Amy Capriotti	Board Secretary / School Business Administrator	\$330,000.00

There is a blanket dishonesty bond covering all other employees with a coverage limit of \$250,000.00.

**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 under audit. The Chapter 44 summary report was reviewed for reasonableness and timeliness.

The data submitted did include all health benefit plans offered by the School District.

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

If the data certification date reflects submission date later than 60 days after the end of the enrollment period: The original data submission did not require significant revision due to errors or omissions on the part of the district.

**Tuition Charges**

A comparison of tentative tuition charges and actual certified tuition charges was made. The actual costs were less than estimated costs. The School District made a proper adjustment to the billings to sending districts for the decrease in per pupil costs in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-17.1(f)3.

**FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING, AND REPORTING**

**Examination of Claims**

Sampled claims paid during the fiscal year under audit did not indicate any reportable noncompliance with respect to signatures, certification, or supporting documentation.

**FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING, AND REPORTING (CONT'D)**

**Payroll Account**

The net salaries of sampled employees of the School District were deposited in the net payroll account. Employees' payroll deductions and the employer's share of fringe benefits were deposited in the payroll agency account.

Sampled payrolls were approved by the Superintendent and were certified by the President of the Board and the Board Secretary / School Business Administrator.

Sampled salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including health benefit premium withholdings due to the general fund.

Sampled payrolls were delivered to the Board Secretary who then deposited with warrants in separate bank accounts for net payroll and withholdings.

**Employee Position Control Roster**

A sample of the Employee Position Control Roster indicated that it was in satisfactory condition and was approved by the county office submission with the 2021-2022 budget review checklist.

**Encumbrances and Accounts Payable**

A sample of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30 for proper classification of orders as encumbrances and accounts payable. Our sample did not indicate any reportable noncompliance with respect to classification of orders.

**Travel**

Our procedures performed on travel expenditures during the fiscal year under audit did not indicate any reportable noncompliance.

**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 randomly sampled expenditure transactions. We also tested the coding of all expenditures included in our compliance and single audit sampling procedures. In addition, a sample was selected that specifically targeted administrative coding classifications to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-8.3. Our samples did not indicate any reportable noncompliance with respect to classification of expenditures.

**Board Secretary's Records**

Our audit of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

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

The School District's other special projects were approved as listed on exhibits K-3 and K-4 located in the ACFR.

Our audit of the federal and state funds on a sample 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 other special projects.

The audit of compliance for other special projects did not indicate any reportable noncompliance.

**FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING, AND REPORTING (CONT'D)**

**TPAF Reimbursement**

Our audit procedures included a sample 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.

**TPAF Reimbursement to the State for Federal Salary Expenditures**

The amount of the expenditure charged to the current year's final report(s) 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 90 day grant liquidation period required by the Office of Grants Management and N.J.S.A. 18A:66-90. The expenditure was inspected subsequent to the reimbursement and no exceptions were noted.

**SCHOOL PURCHASING PROGRAMS**

**Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids**

N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq. (Public School Contracts Law), the associated rules and related information on the statute, and the school contracts in general, are available on the following website:

<https://www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dlgs/programs/lpcl.html>

Current statute is posted on the New Jersey Legislature website at:

<http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/>

The bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 and 18A:18A-3(a) are \$44,000.00 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agent) and \$32,000.00 (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 \$20,200.00 for 2021-22.

The School District's 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 audit, 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 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, 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. 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 (CONT'D)**

**Public Health Emergency (Cont'd)**

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 financial transactions and statistical records of the school food service fund were audited. The financial accounts, meal count records, and eligibility applications were tested on a sample basis. No exceptions were noted.

Cash receipts and bank records were sampled for timely deposit. No exceptions were noted.

The School 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 cost reimbursable or fixed price or non-competitive emergency procurement contract / addendum were inspected and audited. The FSMC contract includes an operating results provision which guarantees that the food service program will break even. The operating results provision has been met. All vendor discounts, rebates, and credits from vendors and/or the FSMC were tracked and credited to the food service account and reconciled to supporting documentation at least annually.

Expenditures should be separately recorded as food, labor, and other costs. Vendor invoices were sampled and costs verified. Inventory records on food and 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.

The SFA recorded and maintained separate supporting documentation for additional costs (food, supplies, transportation, etc.) applicable to the implementation of the COVID-19 meal service under SSO or SFSP program requirements.

The FSMS did not apply for and receive a loan in accordance with the Paycheck Protection Plan (PPP).

Net cash resources did not exceed three months average expenditures.

Sampled time sheets were tested and labor costs verified. No exceptions were noted.

The number of meals claimed for reimbursement was compared to sales and meal count records. As part of the claims review process, the Edit Check Worksheet was completed. Reimbursement claims were submitted / certified in a timely manner.

Sampled applications for free and reduced price meals were tested for completeness and accuracy. The number of free and reduced price meals claimed as served was compared to the number of valid applications and / or to the list of directly certified students on file, times the number of operating days, on a school-by-school basis. The free and reduced price meal and free milk policy was inspected for uniform administration throughout the school system. The required verification procedures for free and reduced price applications were completed and available for audit.

**SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE (CONT'D)**

USDA Food Distribution Program (food and / or commodities) were received and a single inventory was maintained on a first-in, first-out basis. No exceptions were noted.

The statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund net position (ACFR exhibit B-5) does separate program and non-program revenue and program and non-program cost of goods sold.

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

**STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES**

Our audit of the financial and accounting records for student activities indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

**APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID**

Our audit procedures included a sample of information reported in the October 15, 2021 Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the disabled, low-income, and bilingual. We also performed an inspection of the School District procedures related to its completion. The information on the A.S.S.A. was compared to the School 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 School District maintained workpapers on the prescribed State forms or their equivalent.

The School District has adequate written procedures for the recording of student enrollment data.

**FACILITIES AND CAPITAL ASSETS**

Our audit of the financial and accounting records for facilities and capital assets indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Testing for Lead of All Drinking Water in Education Facilities**

The School District complied with all the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A: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).

**FOLLOW-UP ON PRIOR YEAR'S FINDINGS**

There were no audit findings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

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



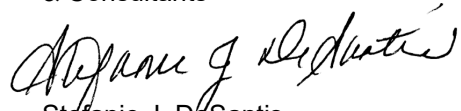
**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

We received the complete cooperation of all of the officials of the School District, and we greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to the members of the audit team.

Respectfully submitted,



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Public School Accountant No. 002523

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
 Schedule of Meal Count Activity  
 Food Service Fund  
 Number of Meals Served and (Over) / Underclaim - Federal  
 Enterprise Fund  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

<u>Program</u>	<u>Meal Category</u>	<u>Meals Claimed</u>	<u>Meals Tested</u>	<u>Meals Verified</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Estimated (Over) / Under Claim</u>	
Seamless Summer Option (SSO)								
Calendar Year 2021								
Breakfast	Free	26,213	26,213	26,213	-	2.4625	-	
Lunch	Free	<u>26,061</u>	<u>26,061</u>	<u>26,061</u>	<u>-</u>	4.3175	<u>-</u>	
	Total	<u>52,274</u>	<u>52,274</u>	<u>52,274</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
Calendar Year 2022								
Breakfast	Free	39,549	39,549	39,549	-	2.6050	-	
Lunch	Free	<u>40,257</u>	<u>40,257</u>	<u>40,257</u>	<u>-</u>	4.5625	<u>-</u>	
	Total	<u>79,806</u>	<u>79,806</u>	<u>79,806</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
Total Net Underclaim / (Overclaim)							<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
 Schedule of Net Cash Resources  
 Net Cash Resources Did Not Exceed Three Months of Expenditures  
 Proprietary Funds - Food Service Fund  
 For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

<u>Net Cash Resources:</u>	<u>Food Service B - 4/5</u>	
<b>ACFR</b>	<b>Current Assets</b>	
B-4	Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 111,767.69
B-4	Due from Other Governments	31,177.86
B-4	Due from Other Funds	
B-4	Accounts Receivable	
B-4	Investments	
<b>ACFR</b>	<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
B-4	Less Accounts Payable	
B-4	Less Accruals	
B-4	Less Due to Other Funds	
B-4	Less Unearned Revenue	
	<b>Net Cash Resources</b>	<b><u>\$ 142,945.55</u></b> (A)
 <b><u>Net Adjusted Total Operating Expense:</u></b>		
B-5	Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 506,635.57
B-5	Less Depreciation	<u>(7,676.14)</u>
	Adjusted Total Operating Expense	<b><u>\$ 498,959.43</u></b> (B)
 <b><u>Average Monthly Operating Expense:</u></b>		
	B / 10	<b><u>\$ 49,895.94</u></b> (C)
 <b><u>Three Times Monthly Average:</u></b>		
	3 X C	<b><u>\$ 149,687.83</u></b> (D)

TOTAL IN BOX A	\$ 142,945.55
LESS TOTAL IN BOX D	<u>\$ 149,687.83</u>
NET	<b><u>\$ (6,742.28)</u></b>

From above:  
 A is greater than D, cash exceeds 3 X average monthly operating expenses.  
 D is greater than A, cash does not exceed 3 X average monthly operating expenses.

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
 Application for State School Aid Summary  
 Schedule of Audited Enrollments  
 Enrollment as of October 15, 2021

	2022-2023 Application for State School Aid						Sample for Verification						Private Schools for Disabled			
	Reported on A.S.S.A. On Roll		Reported on Workpapers On Roll		Errors		Sample Selected from Workpapers		Verified per Registers On Roll		Errors per Registers On Roll		Reported on A.S.S.A. as Private Schools	Sample for Veri- cation	Sample Verified	Sample Errors
	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared				
Half Day Preschool																
Full Day Preschool																
Half Day Kindergarten																
Full Day Kindergarten																
One																
Two																
Three																
Four																
Five																
Six																
Seven																
Eight																
Nine																
Ten																
Eleven																
Twelve																
Post-Graduate																
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)																
Adult H.S. (1-14CR.)																
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Special Education-Elementary	148		148				148		148							
Special Education-Middle School	103		103				103		103							
Special Education-High School	253		253				253		253							
Subtotal	504	-	504	-	-	-	504	-	504	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Co. Voc. - Regular																
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.																
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	504	-	504	-	-	-	504	-	504	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage Error					-	-										-

NOT APPLICABLE

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
 Application for State School Aid Summary  
 Schedule of Audited Enrollments  
 Enrollment as of October 15, 2021

	Resident 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 Application, Test Score and Register	Sample Errors
Half Day Preschool												
Full Day Preschool												
Half Day Kindergarten												
Full Day Kindergarten												
One												
Two												
Three												
Four												
Five												
Six												
Seven												
Eight												
Nine												
Ten												
Eleven												
Twelve												
Post-Graduate												
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)												
Adult H.S. (1-14CR.)												
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Special Education-Elementary												
Special Education-Middle School												
Special Education-High School												
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Co. Voc. - Regular												
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.												
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage Error			-			-			-			-

NOT APPLICABLE

	Transportation						Reg. Avg. (Mileage) = Regular Including Grade PK students (Part A)	Reg. Avg. (Mileage) = Regular Excluding Grade PK students (Part B)	Spec. Avg. (Mileage) = Special Ed. with Special Needs	Reported	Re-Calculated
	Reported on DRTRS by DOE/County	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors					
Reg. - Public Schools, Col. 1										N/A	N/A
Reg. - SpEd, Col. 4										N/A	N/A
Transported - Non-Public, Col. 3										N/A	N/A
Special Needs, Col. 6											
Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Percentage Error			-			-					

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Application for State School Aid Summary

Schedule of Audited Enrollments

Enrollment as of October 15, 2021

	Resident LEP NOT Low Income			Sample for Verification		
	Reported on A.S.S.A. as NOT Low <u>Income</u>	Reported on Workpapers as NOT Low <u>Income</u>	<u>Errors</u>	Sample Selected from <u>Workpapers</u>	Verified to Test Score <u>and Register</u>	Sample <u>Errors</u>
Half Day Preschool						
Full Day Preschool						
Half Day Kindergarten						
Full Day Kindergarten						
One						
Two						
Three						
Four						
Five						
Six						
Seven						
Eight						
Nine						
Ten						
Eleven						
Twelve						
Post-Graduate						
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)						
Adult H.S. (1-14CR.)						
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Special Education-Elementary						
Special Education-Middle School	1	1		1	1	
Special Education-High School						
Subtotal	1	1	-	1	1	-
Co. Voc. - Regular						
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.						
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>
Percentage Error			<u>-</u>			<u>-</u>

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<u>Military Connected Students</u>			
<u>Reported on A.S.S.A. as Military Connected Students</u>	<u>Sample for Verification</u>	<u>Sample Verified</u>	<u>Sample Errors</u>
NOT APPLICABLE			
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Audit Recommendations Summary  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

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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. Facilities and Capital Assets

None

8. Miscellaneous

None

9. Follow-Up on Prior Year Findings

There were no prior year findings requiring corrective action.