

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
GLOUCESTER COUNTY
VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER

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

**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2023**



GLOUCESTER COUNTY VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICTAuditor'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**

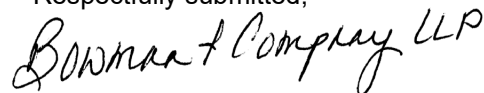
The Honorable President and
Members of the Board of Education of the
Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District
County of Gloucester, New Jersey

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 Vocational-Technical School District, in the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, a component unit of the County of Gloucester, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, which were separately issued in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report dated January 18, 2024.

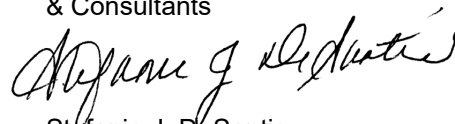
As part of our audit, we also performed procedures required by the New Jersey Department of Education, and the findings and results thereof are disclosed on the following pages, as listed in the accompanying table of contents.

This report is issued in conjunction with the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the Board of Education of the Gloucester County Vocational-Technical School District, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, 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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Stefanie J. DeSantis
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Public School Accountant No. CS 002523

Woodbury, New Jersey
January 18, 2024

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	\$ 250,000.00

There is a blanket dishonesty bond covering all other employees with the following 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 2022-2023 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.

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (E.S.E.A.) as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (E.S.S.A.)

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 Title II of the Every Student Succeeds Act.

The audit of compliance for E.S.E.A. did not indicate any reportable noncompliance.

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

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.

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 2022-23.

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.

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 14, 2022 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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, our procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. Corrective action has been taken on all prior year findings.

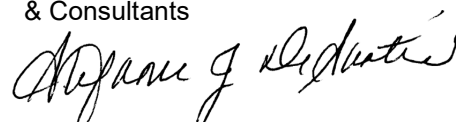
There were no Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance audit reports issued during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

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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Gloucester County Vocational Technical School District
 Application for State School Aid Summary
 Schedule of Audited Enrollments
 Enrollment as of October 14, 2022

	2023-2024 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																
Special Education-Middle School																
Special Education-High School	144	2	144	2			144	2	144	2						
Subtotal	144	2	144	2	-	-	144	2	144	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Co. Voc. - Regular	1,466	3	1,466	3			1,466	3	1,466	3						
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.																
Subtotal	1,466	3	1,466	3	-	-	1,466	3	1,466	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	<u>1,610</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1,610</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,610</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1,610</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Percentage Error					<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>					<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>				<u>-</u>

NOT APPLICABLE

Gloucester County Vocational Technical School District
 Application for State School Aid Summary
 Schedule of Audited Enrollments
 Enrollment as of October 14, 2022

	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	25	25		16	16							
Subtotal	25	25	-	16	16	-			-			-
Co. Voc. - Regular	139	139		86	86							
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.												
Subtotal	139	139	-	86	86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	164	164	-	102	102	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage Error			-	(c)		-			-	(d)		-

Not Applicable

Transportation

	Reported on DRTRS by DOE/County	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors	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
	Reg. - Public Schools, Col. 1								
Reg. - SpEd, Col. 4									
Transported - Non-Public, Col. 3									
Special Needs, Col. 6									
Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Percentage Error			-			-			

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Gloucester County Vocational Technical School District
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	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 and Register	Sample <u>Errors</u>
Half Day Preschool						
Full Day Preschool						
Half Day Kindergarten						
Full Day Kindergarten						
One						
Two						
Three			NOT APPLICABLE			
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			-			-

Gloucester County Vocational Technical School District
Application for State School Aid Summary
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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>
-	-	-	-

EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION

COUNTY VOCATIONAL DISTRICTS

SECTION 1

A. 6% Calculation of Excess Surplus (2022-23 expenditures of \$100 million or less)

2022-23 Total General Fund Expenditures Reported on ACFR Exhibit C-1	\$	32,293,891.64	(B)
Increased by:			
Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund		-	(B1a)
Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund		-	(B1b)
Decreased by:			
On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security		4,813,639.21	(B2a)
Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases		1,763,092.01	(B2b)
Adjusted 2022-23 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)-(B2s)]	\$	25,717,160.42	(B3)
6% of Adjusted 2022-23 General Fund Expenditures [(B3) times .06]	\$	1,543,029.63	(B4)
Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000		1,543,029.63	(B5)
Increased by: Allowable Adjustment *		-	(K)
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance [(B5) + (K)]	\$	1,543,029.63	(M)

B. 6% Calculation of Excess Surplus (2022-23 expenditures greater than \$100 million)

2022-23 Total General Fund Expenditures Reported on ACFR Exhibit C-1	\$	-	(B)
Increased by:			
Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund		-	(B1a)
Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund		-	(B1b)
Decreased by:			
On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security		-	(B2a)
Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases		-	(B2b)
2022-23 Adjusted General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)-(B2s)]	\$	-	(B3)
2022-23 General Fund Expenditures in excess of \$100 million [(B3) minus \$100,000,000]	\$	-	(B4)
3% of General Fund Expenditures in excess of \$100 million [(B4) times .03]		-	(B5)
(B5) Plus \$6,000,000		-	(B6)
Increased by: Allowable Adjustment *		-	(K)
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance [(B6) + (K)]	\$	-	(M)

SECTION 2

Total General Fund - Fund Balances at June 30, 2023 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule C-1)	\$	5,959,139.52	(C)
Decreased by:			
Year-end Encumbrances		1,439,239.43	(C1)
Legally Restricted - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures		-	(C2)
Legally Restricted - Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures **		-	(C3)
Other Restricted Fund Balances ****		590,801.68	(C4)
Assigned Fund Balance - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures		3,210,000.00	(C5)
Total Unassigned Fund Balance [(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)]	\$	719,098.41	(U1)

EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION (CONT'D)

COUNTY VOCATIONAL DISTRICTS

SECTION 3

Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus *** [(U)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE ENTER -0- \$ - (E)

Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2023

Restricted - Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures **	\$ - (C3)
Restricted - Excess Surplus *** [(E)]	- (E)
Total Excess Surplus [(C3) + (E)]	<u>\$ - (D)</u>

Footnotes:

* Allowable adjustment to expenditures on line K must be detailed 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 N.J.S.A. 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 Section 8003 received during the fiscal year and recognized as revenue on the General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule, but not transferred to the Federal Impact Aid Reserve – General (8002 or 8003) by board resolution during June 1 to June 30 of the fiscal year under audit. Amounts transferred to the reserve are captured on line (C4);

(I) Sale and Lease-back

(J1) Extraordinary Aid;

(J2) Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid;

(J3) Recognized current year School Bus Advertising Revenue; and

(J4) Family Crisis Transportation Aid.

(J5) Supplemental Stabilization Aid received April 2023 & Maintenance of Equity Aid received July 2023

Detail of Allowable Adjustments

Federal Impact Aid	\$ - (H)
Sale & Lease-back	- (I)
Extraordinary Aid	- (J1)
Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid	- (J2)
Current Year School Bus Advertising Revenue Recognized	- (J3)
Family Crisis Transportation Aid	- (J4)
Supplemental Stabilization Aid received April 2023 & Maintenance of Equity Aid received July 2023	- (J5)
Total Adjustments [(H)+(I)+(J1)+(J2)+(J3)+(J4)+(J5)]	<u>\$ - (K)</u>

** This amount represents the June 30, 2023 Excess Surplus (C3 above) and must be included in the Audit Summary Line 90031.

*** Amounts must agree to the June 30, 2023 ACFR and must agree to Audit Summary Line 90030.

**** Amount for Other Restricted 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 another type of government, such as the judicial branch of government, must have departmental approval. District requests should be submitted to the Office of School Finance prior to September 30.

Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance

Statutory restrictions:	
Approved unspent separate proposal	\$ -
Sale/lease-back reserve	-
Capital reserve	226,273.03
Maintenance reserve	170,582.80
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 Capital Fund Reserve (Sections 8007 and 8008)	-
Other state/government mandated reserves	-
Restricted for Unemployment	193,945.85
[Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above]****	-
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance	<u>\$ 590,801.68 (C4)</u>

GLOUCESTER COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Audit Recommendations Summary
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

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

A review was performed on the prior year recommendations and corrective action was taken on all prior year findings.