

**HUDSON COUNTY SCHOOLS OF TECHNOLOGY**

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

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

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Honorable President and  
Members of the Board of Education  
Hudson County Schools of Technology  
Secaucus, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Hudson County Schools of Technology in the County of Hudson for the year ended June 30, 2023 and have issued our report dated February 23, 2024.

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 Hudson County Schools of Technology's management, the New Jersey Department of Education and federal and state audit agencies. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.



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Secaucus, New Jersey  
February 23, 2024

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**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 Hudson Schools of Technology, the records of various funds under the auspices of the Board of Education.

**ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES**

**Insurance**

Insurance coverage was carried in the amounts as detailed on Exhibit J-20 Insurance Schedule contained in the District's ACFR.

**Official Bonds at June 30, 2023 (N.J.S.A. 18A:17-26, 18A:17:32)**

The District also has an errors and omissions policy with the New Jersey School Boards Insurance Association Insurance Group with coverage of \$16,000,000 total for all fees and claims. Adequacy of insurance coverage is the responsibility of the District.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Joseph M. Muniz	Board Secretary	\$150,000
Nicholas Fargo	Business Administrator	\$150,000
All Employees	All Employee Blanket Position	\$500,000

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 District.

The District data certification was completed by the School Business Administrator. The District Chapter 44 data was submitted timely.

**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 Accounts and Position Control Roster**

The net salaries of all employees of the District 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 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.

A position control roster is prepared as required by N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.8. and agrees to original certified budget.

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**FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING (Continued)**

**Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Payable**

A review of outstanding purchase orders was made as of June 30, 2023 for proper classification of orders as reserve for encumbrances and accounts payable. No discrepancies were noted.

**Travel**

No exceptions were noted.

**Classification of Expenditures**

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.2(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 to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-8.3. As a result of the procedures performed, a transaction error rate of less than 1% was noted and no additional procedures were deemed necessary to test the propriety of expenditure classification.

**A. General Classification Findings** - No findings were noted

**B. Administrative Classification Findings** – No findings were noted

**Board Secretary's Records/Business Administrator**

Our review of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary/Business Administrator disclosed the following finding:

**Finding 2023-001 (ACFR Finding 2023-001):**

The general fund incurred liabilities and expenditures without budget appropriations and not being corrected with budget additions and transfers in a timely manner for approval by the governing board.

**Recommendation:**

Cell tower lease revenues only be utilized through formal general fund budget appropriations. Appropriations for capital projects be monitored for adequate funding and any deficit be funded with a timely general fund contribution. Operations in transportation consortium and food service be monitored and any deficit funded with a timely general fund contribution.

**Elementary and Secondary Education Act (E.S.E.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 VI of the Elementary and Secondary School Education Act as amended and reauthorized.

The study of compliance for E.S.E.A. indicated no noncompliance and/or questionable costs.

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

Our audit of the federal and the state funds, on a test basis, indicated that obligations and expenditures were incurred during the fiscal year or project 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.

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**FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING (Continued)**

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

The study of compliance for the special projects did not indicate any areas of noncompliance and/or questioned costs.

**T.P.A.F. Reimbursement**

Our audit procedures included a test of the biweekly 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.

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

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/FICA payment made by the State on-behalf of the District for those employees whose salaries are identified as being paid from federal funds was made subsequent to the end of the 60 day grant liquidation period required by the Office of Grants Management, but prior to the 90 days required by *N.J.S.A.* 18A:66-90. Accordingly, the expenditure was made in accordance with State law (90 days) and properly reported as obligated and not expended and as an unliquidated balance in the current year's Final Report for all federal awards. No exceptions were noted.

**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 transportation contracts under *N.J.S.A.* 18A:39-3 is currently \$20,200 for 2022-23.

The 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.

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

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 agreements for "Professional Services" per *N.J.S.A.* 18A:18A-5.

**SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE**

The school food service program was selected as a major program for the federal single audit. The financial transactions and statistical records of the school food service fund were reviewed. The financial accounts, meal count records were reviewed on a test-check basis.

Cash receipts and bank records were reviewed for timely deposit.

Expenditures should be separately recorded as food, labor and other costs. Vendor invoices were reviewed, 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.

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**SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE (Continued)**

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.

Net cash resources did (did not) exceed three months average expenditures.

Time sheets were reviewed, and labor costs verified. Payroll records were maintained on all School Food Services employees authorized by the board of education/board of trustees. 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/were not submitted/certified in a timely manner.

Applications for free and reduced price meals were reviewed for completeness and accuracy. The number of free and reduced price meals claimed as served was compared to the number of valid applications /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 reviewed for uniform administration throughout the school system. Sites approved to participate in Provisions I and II were examined for compliance with all counting and claiming requirements. The required verification procedures for free and reduced price applications were completed and available for review.

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 Assets (ACFR Schedule 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.

**CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

**Finding 2023-002 (ACFR Finding 2023-002):**

The Career Development Center (CDC), which administers the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act (WIOA) grants, does not monitor, or perform closing procedures to agree general ledger balances to bank reconciliations and grant worksheets used for grant reporting. Grant expenditures are not being accounted for in respective program years, whereby convoluting the audit trail among program years. As a result of the independent financial statement audit, the general ledger was substantially adjusted to agree balances to bank reconciliations and grant worksheets without adequate audit trail.

**Recommendation:**

The Career Development Center (CDC), which administers the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act (WIOA) grants, regularly agree general ledger balances to bank reconciliations and grant worksheets used for grant reporting. Grant expenditures be accounted for in respective program years to provide adequate audit trail among program years.

**STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES**

Overall, cash receipts and disbursements records for the schools were maintained in satisfactory condition.

**APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID**

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October 14, 2022 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's work papers. The information that was included in the work papers was also verified. The results of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollment.

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**APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID**

The District maintained workpapers on the prescribed state forms or their equivalent. The District 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 2022-23 District Report of transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The information that was included in the DRTRS was verified to the DRTRS Eligibility Summary Report. 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.

**FACILITIES AND CAPITAL ASSETS**

Our procedures included a review of accounting of capital assets and awarding of contracts for eligible facilities construction. No exceptions were noted.

**TESTING FOR LEAD OF ALL DRINKING WATER IN EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES**

The 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 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 FINDINGS**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, our procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations including findings and other suggestions to management. Corrective action has been taken on all prior year findings with the exception of the following, which is reported in this year's recommendations noted as current year finding 2023-002:

- The Career Development Center (CDC), which administers the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act (WIOA) grants, regularly agree general ledger balances to bank reconciliations and grant worksheets used for grant reporting. Grant expenditures be accounted for in respective program years to provide adequate audit trail among program years. (Finding 2023-002)



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FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

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**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 team.



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HUDSON COUNTY SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY  
 SCHEDULE OF MEAL COUNT ACTIVITY  
 ENTERPRISE FUND  
 FOOD SERVICE FUND  
 NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED AND (OVER) UNDER CLAIM - FEDERAL  
 FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

<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>(OVER)/ UNDER CLAIM</u>
National School Lunch (High Rate)	Paid	88,705	15,265	15,265	-	0.790	\$ -
	Reduced	26,853	4,903	4,903	-	3.950	-
	Free	<u>79,837</u>	<u>14,388</u>	<u>14,388</u>	-	4.350	-
	Total	<u>195,395</u>	<u>34,556</u>	<u>34,556</u>	-		\$ -
National School Lunch	HHFKA - PB Lunch Only	<u>195,395</u>	<u>34,556</u>	<u>34,556</u>	-	0.080	-
School Breakfast (Severe Needs Rate)	Paid	27,195	4,705	4,705	-	0.500	\$ -
	Reduced	14,034	2,536	2,536	-	2.370	-
	Free	<u>41,569</u>	<u>7,543</u>	<u>7,543</u>	-	2.670	-
	Total	<u>82,798</u>	<u>14,784</u>	<u>14,784</u>	-		\$ -
(Regular Rate)	Paid	3,380	549	549		0.500	\$ -
	Reduced	238	45	45		1.960	-
	Free	<u>920</u>	<u>143</u>	<u>143</u>		2.260	-
	Total	<u>4,538</u>	<u>737</u>	<u>737</u>	-		\$ -
Total Net (Over)/Under Claim					<u>-</u>		\$ -

**HUDSON COUNTY SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY**  
**SCHEDULE OF MEAL COUNT ACTIVITY**  
**ENTERPRISE FUND**  
**FOOD SERVICE FUND**  
**NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED AND (OVER) UNDER CLAIM - STATE**  
**FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

<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>(OVER)/ UNDER CLAIM</u>
State Reimbursement	Paid	88,705	15,265	15,265	-	0.060	\$ -
National School Lunch (High Rate)	Reduced	26,853	4,903	4,903	-	0.470	-
	Free	79,837	14,388	14,388	-	0.070	
	Total	<u>195,395</u>	<u>34,556</u>	<u>34,556</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>\$ -</u>
School Breakfast (Severe Needs Rate)	Reduced	14,034	2,536	2,536	-	0.300	\$ -
	Total	<u>14,034</u>	<u>2,536</u>	<u>2,536</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>\$ -</u>
School Breakfast (Regular Rate)	Reduced	238	45	45	-	0.300	\$ -
	Total	<u>238</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>\$ -</u>
Total Net (Over)/Under Claim					<u>-</u>		<u>\$ -</u>

**HUDSON COUNTY SCHOOLS OF TECHNOLOGY  
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS - FOOD SERVICE  
 NET CASH RESOURCES SCHEDULE  
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

<u>CAFR Exhibit</u>	<u>Food Service CAFR Exhibits B-4/5</u>
<b>NET CASH RESOURCES</b>	
Current assets:	
Intergovernmental receivable:	
B-4 Federal	140,623
B-4 State	5,472
B-4 Accounts receivable	-
Less current liabilities:	
B-4 Accounts payable	(139,758)
B-4 Interfund payable	(42,276)
Net cash resources	<u><u>\$ (35,939) (A)</u></u>
<b>NET ADJUSTED TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	
B-5 Total operating expenses	\$ 2,724,693
B-5 Less Depreciation	(98,794)
Total net adjusted total operating expenses	<u><u>\$ 2,625,899 (B)</u></u>
<b>AVERAGE MONTHLY OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	
(B) divided by (÷) 10	<u><u>\$ 262,590 (C)</u></u>
<b>THREE TIMES MONTHLY AVERAGE</b>	
(C) times (x) 3	<u><u>\$ 787,770 (D)</u></u>
TOTAL IN BOX (A)	\$ (35,939)
LESS TOTAL IN BOX (D)	(787,770)
NET	<u><u>\$ (823,709)</u></u>

Net cash resources do not exceed three months of average monthly expenditures

HUDSON COUNTY SCHOOLS OF TECHNOLOGY  
 APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY  
 ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 14, 2022

SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

	2023-2024 Application for State School Aid						Sample of Verification					
	Reported on ASSA On Roll		Reported on Workpapers On Roll		Errors		Sample Selected from Workpapers		Verified per Registers On Roll		Errors per Registers On Roll	
	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared
Adult HS (15+ Credits)	212	-	212	-	-	-	212	-	212	-	-	-
Subtotal	212	-	212	-	-	-	212	-	212	-	-	-
Special Education-Middle	4	-	4	-	-	-	4	-	4	-	-	-
Special Education-High School	125	110	125	110	-	-	125	110	125	110	-	-
Subtotal	129	110	129	110	-	-	129	110	129	110	-	-
Co. Voc - Regular	2,219	245	2,219	245	-	-	2,219	245	2,219	245	-	-
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	2,560	355	2,560	355	-	-	2,560	355	2,560	355	-	-
					0.00%						0.00%	

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 APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY  
 ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 14, 2022

	Resident Low Income			Sample of Verification			Resident LEP Low Income			Sample of Verification		
	Reported on ASSA Low Income	Reported on Workpapers Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Application Registers and	Sample Errors	Reported on ASSA as LEP Low Income	Reported on Workpapers as LEP Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Application Registers and	Sample Errors
Special Education-Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Special Education-High School	97	97	-	39	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subtotal	97	97	-	39	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Co. Voc - Regular	1,018	1,018	-	219	219	-	4	4	-	3	3	-
TOTALS	1,115	1,115	0.00%	258	258	-	4	4	0.00%	3	3	0.00%

  

Transportation					
Reported on DOE/County	Reported on DRTS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors
1,774	1,774	-	279	279	-
128	128	-	96	96	-
1	1	-	1	1	-
445	445	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	2,348	-	376	376	-
		0.00%			0.00%

  

	Reported	Recalculated
Reg Avg (Mileage) = Regular including Grade PK Students (Part A)	n/a	n/a
Reg Avg (Mileage) = Regular excluding Grade PK Students (Part B)	6.0	6.0
Special Avg = Special Ed w/ Special Needs	3.2	3.2

HUDSON COUNTY SCHOOLS OF TECHNOLOGY  
 APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY  
 ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 14, 2022

	Resident LEP NOT Low Income		Sample of Verification	
	Reported on ASSA Not Low Income	Reported on Workpapers Not Low Income	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified per Application and Registers
Co. Voc - Regular	4	4	3	3
TOTALS	4	4	3	3
				Errors
				-
				-
				0.00%

**HUDSON COUNTY SCHOOLS OF TECHNOLOGY  
EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

SECTION 1

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

2022-23 Total General Fund Expenditures per the ACFR, Exhibit C-1	<u>\$ 74,978,697</u> (B)
Increased by:	
Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects	<u>93,527</u> (B1a)
Transfer from Reserve to Capital Projects	<u>-</u> (B1b)
Decreased by:	
On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security	<u>(12,784,937)</u> (B2a)
Assets Acquired Under Financed Purchases	<u>-</u> (B2b)
Adjusted 2022-23 General Fund Expenditures [(B) - (B1s)-(B2s)]	<u>62,287,287</u> (B3)
6% of Adjusted 2022-23 General Fund Expenditures [(B3) times .06]	<u>3,737,237</u> (B4)
Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000	<u>3,737,237</u> (B5)
Increased by: Allowable Adjustment*	<u>297,779</u> (K)
Maximum Unassigned/Unreserved-Undesignated Fund Balance [(B5) + (K)]	<u>\$ 4,035,016</u> (M)

\* This adjustment line (as detailed below) is to be utilized when applicable for: Impact Aid, Sale and Lease-back, Extraordinary Aid, Additional Nonpublic School Aid, Transportation Aid, and Supplemental Stabilization Aid Received April 2023 & Maintenance of Equity Aid received July 2023.

SECTION 2

Total General Fund - Fund Balances at June 30, 2023 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule C-1)	<u>\$ 6,347,952</u> (C)
Decreased by:	
Year-end Encumbrances	<u>(237,378)</u> (C1)
Legally Restricted - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	<u>-</u> (C2)
Legally Restricted - Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures**	<u>(1,917,084)</u> (C3)
Other Restricted/Reserved Fund Balances****	<u>-</u> (C4)
Assigned-Unreserved-Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	<u>-</u> (C5)
Total Unassigned Fund Balance [(C) - (C1) - (C2) - (C3) - (C4) - (C5)]	<u>\$ 4,193,490</u> (U1)

SECTION 3

Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus\*\*\*[(U) - (M)] IF NEGATIVE ENTER -0- \$ 158,474 (E)

*Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2023*

Restricted/Reserved Excess Surplus -- Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures**	<u>\$ 1,917,084</u> (C3)
Restricted/Reserved Excess Surplus***[(E)]	<u>158,474</u> (E)
Total Excess Surplus [(C3) + (E)]	<u>\$ 2,075,558</u> (D)



**HUDSON COUNTY SCHOOLS OF TECHNOLOGY  
EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

*Detail of Allowable Adjustments*

Impact Aid	\$ - (H)
Sale & Lease-back	<u>- (I)</u>
Extraordinary Aid	<u>- (J1)</u>
Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid	<u>- (J2)</u>
Current Year School Bus Advertising Revenue Recognized	<u>- (J3)</u>
Family Crisis Transportation Aid	<u>- (J4)</u>
Supplemental Stabilization Aid received April 2023 & Maintenance of Equity Aid received July 2023	<u>297,779 (J5)</u>
Total Adjustments [(H) + (I) + (J1) + (J2) + (J3) + (J4)]	<u>\$ 297,779 (K)</u>

\*\* This amount represents the June 30, 2022 Excess Surplus (C3 above) and must be included in the Audit Summary Worksheet Line 90031.

\*\*\* Amount must agree with the June 30, 2023 ACFR and Audit Summary Worksheet Line 90030.

SECTION 3 (Continued)

*Detail of Other Restricted/Reserved Fund Balance*

Statutory restrictions:	
Approved unspent separate proposal	\$ -
Sale/lease-back reserve	<u>-</u>
Capital reserve	<u>-</u>
Maintenance reserve	<u>-</u>
Emergency reserve	<u>-</u>
Tuition reserve	<u>-</u>
School Bus Advertising 50% Fuel Offset Reserve - current year	<u>-</u>
School Bus Advertising 50% Fuel Offset Reserve - prior year	<u>-</u>
Impact Aid General Fund Reserve	<u>-</u>
Impact Aid Capital Fund Reserve	<u>-</u>
Other state/government mandated reserves	<u>-</u>
Other Restricted/Reserved Fund Balance not noted above****	<u>-</u>
Total Other Restricted/Reserved Fund Balance	<u>\$ - (C4)</u>

\*\*\*\* Amount for Other Restricted/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 another 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.

**HUDSON COUNTY SCHOOLS OF TECHNOLOGY  
AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

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1. Administrative Practices and Procedures

None

2. Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

- Cell tower lease revenues only be utilized through formal general fund budget appropriations. Appropriations for capital projects be monitored for adequate funding and any deficit be funded with a timely general fund contribution. Operations in transportation consortium and food service be monitored and any deficit funded with a timely general fund contribution.

3. School Purchasing Programs

None

4. School Food Services

None

5. Career Development Center

- The Career Development Center (CDC), which administers the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act (WIOA) grants, regularly agree general ledger balances to bank reconciliations and grant worksheets used for grant reporting. Grant expenditures be accounted for in respective program years to provide adequate audit trail among program years.

6. Student Body Activities

None

7. Application for State School Aid

None

8. Pupil Transportation

None

9. Facilities and Capital Assets

None

10. Testing for Lead and All Drinking Water in Educational Facilities

None

11. Follow-Up on Prior Year Findings

Corrective action has been taken on all prior year findings with the exception of the following:

- The Career Development Center (CDC), which administers the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act (WIOA) grants, regularly agree general ledger balances to bank reconciliations and grant worksheets used for grant reporting. Grant expenditures be accounted for in respective program years to provide adequate audit trail among program years.