# BOROUGH OF LAWNSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF CAMDEN

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

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023



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# <u>AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE</u> FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Borough of Lawnside School District County of Camden, 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 Borough of Lawnside School District, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, which were separately issued in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report dated March 5, 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 Borough of Lawnside 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,

BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP Certified Public Accountants

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Michael P. Cragin, Jr. Certified Public Accountant

Public School Accountant No. 20CS00255100

Voorhees, New Jersey March 5, 2024

# ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE, AND PERFORMANCE

# **SCOPE OF AUDIT**

The audit covered the financial transactions of the Board Secretary / School Business Administrator and the Treasurer of School Moneys, 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>
Karen Willis	Board Secretary / School Business Administrator	\$ 90,000.00
Nancy McCabe	Treasurer of School Moneys	\$ 200,000.00

There is a Public Employees' Faithful Performance Crime Policy covering all other employees with multiple coverage 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.

#### **Tuition Charges**

The School District had no incoming tuition students that required proper adjustment, per N.J.A.C. 6A:23-3.1(f)3.

# FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING, AND REPORTING

#### **Examination of Claims**

Sampled claims paid during the fiscal year under audit indicated the following reportable noncompliance with respect to signatures, certification, or supporting documentation.

#### Finding No. 2023-002 (ACFR Finding No. 2023-002)

The School District failed to have all purchase order approved and, in several instances, did not have proper supporting documentation or failed to meet State compliance requirements.

#### Recommendation

The School District should review their internal controls and establish procedures to ensure that all purchase orders are properly reviewed, approved, have proper supporting documentation and meet all State compliance requirements.

#### 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 / School Business Administrator 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 indicated the following reportable noncompliance with respect to classification of expenditures.

#### Finding No. 2023-001 (ACFR Finding No. 2023-001)

During our audit, we noted that the controls over recording and monitoring of the charging of budget accounts were insufficient to ensure compliance with recording expenditures in accordance with the Uniform Minimum Chart of Accounts.

#### Recommendation

That the School District improve the controls over recording and monitoring of the charging of budget accounts to ensure that the School District is in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.2(f).

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

# **Board Secretary's Records**

Our audit of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary indicated that they were in satisfactory condition, except the following reportable noncompliance:

#### Finding No. 2023-005 (ACFR Finding No. 2023-005)

The School District did not obtain Commissioner approval or executive county superintendent as Commissioner's designee for line item transfers as required by N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(g).

#### Recommendation

That the School District comply with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(g) by receiving appropriate approvals for budget line-item transfers when required.

# Treasurer of School Moneys' Records

Our audit of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Treasurer of School Moneys indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

#### **Pupil Transportation**

Our audit procedures included a sample of on-roll status reported in the 2022-23 District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The results of our procedures are presented in the schedule of audited enrollments. The information that was reported on the DRTRS was verified to the DRTRS Eligibility Summary Report with the following reportable noncompliance:

#### Finding No. 2023-003 (ACFR Finding No. 2023-003)

Our examination of the District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS) revealed reported students who could not be traced to attendance records and documentation that did not support the School District's classifications.

#### Recommendation

That the District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS) report students who can be traced to attendance records and retain documentation that supports the School District's classifications.

Our procedures also included a sample of transportation related contracts and purchases. We performed procedures over transportation related contracts and purchases. It appears the School District complied with proper bidding procedures and award of contracts.

# 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 IIA of the Every Student Succeeds Act.

An audit of compliance for E.S.E.A. was not required for school year 2022-2023.

# 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 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 indicated the following reportable noncompliance:

#### Finding No. 2023-006 (ACFR Finding No. 2023-006)

Our audit of employee benefits revealed that employee's health benefit deductions were not withheld in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:16-17, Chapter 78, P. L. 2011 and/or Chapter 44 P.L. 2020.

#### Recommendation

The School District should comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:16-17, Chapter 78, L. 2011 and/or Chapter 44 P.L. 2020 by withholding, from employees, the proper amount for health benefits.

# Finding No. 2023-004 (ACFR Finding No. 2023-004)

The School District incorrectly reported expenditures on its reimbursement requests and final expenditures reports to the State. This resulted in the School District not providing accurate information to the State that is used to determine if grant money was expended in accordance with the original or amended grant application.

# Recommendation

That the School District should review their internal controls and establish procedures to ensure that reports comply with 2 CFR section 200.328 and ensure proper reporting by ESSER Subgrant fund, expenditure category, and object code.

#### **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 reports 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.

The audit of compliance for School Purchasing Programs have indicated the following reportable noncompliance:

#### **SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE**

The school food service program was not selected as a major federal and / or State program. However, the program expenditures exceeded \$100,000.00 in federal and / or State support. Accordingly, we 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. No exceptions were noted.

We 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 and indirect costs. 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.

Net cash resources did not exceed three months average expenditures.

# **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 private schools for the disabled. We also performed an inspection of the School District procedures related to its completion. The information that was included on the workpapers was verified with minor exceptions noted. 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**

#### **Continuing Disclosure Agreements**

The School District complied with its most recent continuing disclosure agreements made in relation to prior year bond issuances.

# **Testing for Lead of All Drinking Water in Education 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 not been taken on prior year findings. The findings are repeated in this year's recommendations noted as the current year finding listed below:

Prior Year Finding No.	Current Year Finding No.				
2022-001	2023-001				
2022-003	2023-006				

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,

BOWMAN & COMPANY LLP Certified Public Accountants

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Michael P. Cragin, Jr. Certified Public Accountant

Public School Accountant No. 20CS00255100

	2023-2024 Application for State School Aid		Sample for Verification				Private Schools for the Disabled									
	Report A.S.S On F	S.A.	Work	ted on papers Roll Shared	En <u>Full</u>	rors Shared	Selecte	nple ed from papers Shared	Reg	ed per isters Roll <u>Shared</u>	Reg	rs per gisters Roll Shared	Reported on A.S.S.A. as Private Schools	Sample for Verifi- cation	Sample <u>Verified</u>	Sample <u>Errors</u>
	<u>ruii</u>	Silaieu	<u>ruii</u>	Silaieu	<u>ruii</u>	Silaieu	<u>ruii</u>	Silaieu	<u>ruii</u>	Silaieu	<u>ruii</u>	Silaieu	SCHOOLS	cation	verilled	EIIOIS
Half Day Preschool																
Full Day Preschool	35		35				35		35							
Half Day Kindergarten																
Full Day Kindergarten	31		31				31		31							
One	21		21				21		21							
Two	23		23				23		23							
Three	37		37				37		37							
Four	24		24				24		24							
Five	26		26				26		26							
Six	21		21				21		21							
Seven	29		29				29		29							
Eight	19		19				19		19							
Nine																
Ten																
Eleven																
Twelve																
Post-Graduate																
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)																
Adult H.S. (1-14CR.)																
Subtotal	266		266				266		266		-			-		
Special Education-Elementary	33		33				33		33				4	4	4	
Special Education-Middle School	21		21				21		21				1	1	1	
Special Education-High School													2	2	2	
openia Zaasaan ingi sense.																
Subtotal	54	<u> </u>	54				54		54		-		7	7	7	
Co. Voc Regular																
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.																
Subtotal			-						_		-					
Totals	320		320				320		320		-		7	7	7	

		sident Low Income		Sample for Verification			Resident LEP Low I	Sample for Verification				
	Reported on A.S.S.A. as Low Income	Reported on Workpapers as Low <u>Income</u>	<u>Errors</u>	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 <u>Income</u>	<u>Errors</u>	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.)	20 18 16 10 25 15 15 12 11	20 18 16 10 25 15 15 12 11		13 11 10 7 15 9 10 8 7 6	13 11 10 7 15 9 10 8 7 6							
Subtotal	152	152		96	96							
Special Education-Elementary Special Education-Middle School Special Education-High School	25 13	25 13		15 8	15 8							
Subtotal	38	38		23	23							
Co. Voc Regular Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.												
Subtotal												
Totals	190	190		119	119							
Percentage Error			0.0%			0.0%			0.0%			0.0%
	Reported on DRTRS by DOE/County	Reported on DRTRS by <u>District</u>	Trans	portation <u>Tested</u>	<u>Verified</u>	Errors					<u>Reported</u>	Re- <u>Calculated</u>
Reg Public Schools, Col. 1 Reg SpEd, Col. 4 Transported - Non-Public, Col. 3 Special Needs, Col. 6	31 8 14 5	31 8 14 5		27 6 13 4	21 13 7	6 6 (3)	Reg. Avg. (Milea		iding Grade PK students uding Grade PK student with Special Needs		4.8 4.8 14.0	4.7 4.7 11.3
Totals	58	58		50	41	9.00						
Percentage Error		·	0.0%	· ————		18.0%						

		dent LEP NOT Low Income		Sample for Verification			
	Reported on A.S.S.A. as NOT Low Income	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 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			0.0%			0.0%	

Military Connected Students						
Reported on						
A.S.S.A. as						
Military Connected	Sample for	Sample	Sample			
Students	<u>Verification</u>	<u>Verified</u>	<u>Errors</u>			
-	-	-	-			

# **EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION**

# REGULAR DISTRICT / N/A TO CHARTER SCHOOL / RENAISSANCE SCHOOL PROJECT

# SECTION 1

<u>2%</u>	Calculation	of Excess	<u>Surplus</u>

2022-23 Total General Fund Expenditures Reported on ACFR Exhibit 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	\$ 11,248,891.05 (B)  - (B1a) - (B1b) - (B1c) - (B1d)
Decreased by: On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases  Adjusted 2022-23 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)-(B2s)]	1,049,676.70 (B2a) - (B2b)  \$ 10,199,214.35 (B3)
2% of Adjusted 2022-23 General Fund Expenditures [(B3) times .02] Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000 Increased by: Allowable Adjustment *	\$ 203,984.29 (B4) 250,000.00 (B5) 192,876.00 (K)
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance [(B5) + (K)]  SECTION 2	\$ 442,876.00 (M)
Total General Fund - Fund Balances at June 30, 2023 (Per ACFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule, Ex. 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 - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	\$ 5,319,081.90 (C)  1,271,857.22 (C1)  - (C2)  977,833.39 (C3)  633,026.71 (C4)  100,105.61 (C5)
Total Unassigned Fund Balance [(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)-(C-6)]	\$ 2,336,258.97 (U1)
SECTION 3	
Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus *** [(U1)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE ENTER -0-	\$ 1,893,382.97 (E)
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2023	
Restricted - Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures ** Restricted - Excess Surplus *** [(E)]	\$ 977,833.39 (C3) 1,893,382.97 (E)
Total Excess Surplus [(C3)+(E)]	<u>\$ 2,871,216.36</u> (D)

#### **EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION (CONT'D)**

#### REGULAR DISTRICT / CHARTER SCHOOL / RENAISSANCE SCHOOL PROJECT

#### Footnotes:

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- \* 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 (Refer to the Audit Program Section II, Chapter 10);
  - (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	188,508.00	(J1)
Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid	4,368.00	(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)]	\$ 192,876.00	(K)

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

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 Division of Administration and Finance prior to September 30.

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

Statutory restrictions:	
Approved unspent separate proposal	_ \$
Sale/lease-back reserve	
Capital reserve	<u> </u>
Maintenance reserve	343,829.00
Emergency reserve	
Tuition reserve	200,000.00
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 (Sections 8002 and 8003)	
Impact Aid Capital Fund Reserve (Sections 8007 and 8008)	<u> </u>
Other state/government mandated reserves	-
Restricted for Unemployment	89,197.71
[Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above]****	<u> </u>
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance	\$ 633,026.71 (C4)

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Amounts must agree to the June 30, 2023 ACFR and must agree to Audit Summary Line 90030.

Audit Recommendations Summary For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

#### Recommendations:

1. Administrative Practices and Procedures

None

# 2. Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

The School District should review their internal controls and establish procedures to ensure that all purchase orders are properly reviewed, approved, have proper supporting documentation and meet all State compliance requirements.

That the School District improve the controls over recording and monitoring of the charging of budget accounts to ensure that the School District is in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.2(f).

That the School District comply with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(g) by receiving appropriate approvals for budget line-item transfers when required.

That the District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS) report students who can be traced to attendance records and retain documentation that supports the School District's classifications.

The School District should comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:16-17, Chapter 78, L. 2011 and/or Chapter 44 P.L. 2020 by withholding, from employees, the proper amount for health benefits.

That the School District should review their internal controls and establish procedures to ensure that reports comply with 2 CFR section 200.328 and ensure proper reporting by ESSER Subgrant fund, expenditure category, and object code.

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

Audit Recommendations Summary For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

# Recommendations (Cont'd):

# 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, with the exception of the following, which are repeated in this year's recommendations:

That the School District improve the controls over recording and monitoring of the charging of budget accounts to ensure that the School District is in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.2(f).

The School District should comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:16-17, Chapter 78, L. 2011 and/or Chapter 44 P.L. 2020 by withholding, from employees, the proper amount for health benefits.