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COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION REPORT

OF

WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

ELKHART COUNTY, INDIANA

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To: The Officials of the Wa-nee Community Schools
Wa-nee Community Schools
Elkhart County, Indiana

This report is supplemental to the audit report of Wa-nee Community Schools (School Corporation), for the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024. It has been provided as a separate report so that the reader may easily identify any findings that pertain to the School Corporation. It should be read in conjunction with the financial statement audit report of the School Corporation, which provides an opinion on the School Corporation's financial statements. This report may be found at www.in.gov/sboa/.

As authorized under Indiana Code 5-11-1, we engaged private examiners under our review to perform the audit of the School Corporation and perform procedures to determine compliance with applicable Indiana laws and uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts. The findings contained herein describe the identified reportable instance of noncompliance found as a result of these procedures.

We have reviewed the supplemental report for Wa-nee Community Schools prepared by Crowe LLP, Independent Public Accountants, for the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024. In our opinion, the supplemental report was prepared in accordance with the guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

We call your attention to the finding in the report on page 3.

The report is filed with this letter in our office as a matter of public record.

Tammy R. White, CPA
Deputy State Examiner

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WA-NEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS
July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Business Manager	Randi Libby	07-01-22 to 02-02-24
	Jessica McFarland	02-03-24 to 06-30-24
Superintendent of Schools	Scot Croner	07-01-22 to 06-30-24
President of the School Board	Christina Eshelman	01-01-21 to 12-31-24

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

To the Indiana State Board of Accounts and
Management of Wa-Nee Community Schools

We have examined Wa-Nee Community Schools' ("School Corporation") compliance with the Indiana State Board of Accounts' *Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual For Indiana Public School Corporations* during the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024. Management of the School Corporation is responsible for the School Corporation's compliance with the specified requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the School Corporation's compliance with the specified requirements based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the School Corporation complied, in all material respects, with the specified requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the School Corporation complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our qualified opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to the engagement.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the School Corporation's compliance with specified requirements.

Our examination disclosed material noncompliance with the *Accounting and Uniform Compliance Guidelines Manual For Indiana Public School Corporations* applicable to the School Corporation during the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024, as described in item 2024-001 on the following Schedule of Examination Findings and Results.

In our opinion, except for the material noncompliance described in the preceding paragraph, the School Corporation complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.


Crowe LLP

Indianapolis, Indiana
March 14, 2025

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SCHEDULE OF EXAMINATION FINDINGS AND RESULTS
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FINDING 2024-001: SCHEDULES IN ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT – OTHER INFORMATION

Criteria: Indiana Code 5-11-1-4(a) states, "The state examiner shall require from every municipality and every state or local governmental unit, entity, or instrumentality financial reports covering the full period of each fiscal year. These reports shall be prepared, verified, and filed with the state examiner not later than sixty (60) days after the close of each fiscal year. The reports must be in the form and content prescribed by the state examiner and filed electronically in the manner prescribed under IC 5-14-3.8-7."

Condition: Financial and other information are required to be entered annually into the Annual Financial Report (AFR) via the Indiana Gateway for Government Units (Gateway) financial reporting system. The information entered into Gateway contained the following error:

Accounts Receivable

The School Corporation did not report Accounts Receivable on the Schedule of Payables and Receivables as of June 30, 2024. As of June 30, 2024, the School Corporation had negative fund balances totaling \$310,801 related to grant reimbursement funds which represents the outstanding accounts receivable balance. An adjustment was posted to the Schedule of Payables and Receivables to report \$310,801 in Accounts Receivable.

Leases and Debt

The School Corporation did not report a 2023 capital lease with the Wa-Nee Community Schools Building Corporation within the Schedule of Leases. The Schedule of Leases and Debt, presented as other information in the financial statement, was adjusted to reflect the transaction as a lease with \$1,226,500 in Annual Lease Payments due next fiscal year. Additionally, the School Corporation understated other 2024-2025 future lease payments on their Schedule of Leases and Debt by \$1,849,500. An adjustment was posted to the Schedule of Leases and Debt in the financial statement to agree annual lease payments to the underlying payment schedule for each lease transaction.

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The contents of this report were discussed on March 14, 2025, with Jessica McFarland, Business Manager, Scot Croner, Superintendent, and Christina Eshelman, President of the Board.