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FEDERAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT

OF

SCHOOL CITY OF WHITING

LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020



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SCHEDULE OF OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Treasurer	Kimberly Pusateri	07-01-18 to 06-30-21
Superintendent of Schools	Cynthia Scroggins	07-01-18 to 06-30-21
President of the School Board	Nicole Davenport Kathleen Murzyn	07-01-18 to 12-31-20 01-01-21 to 12-31-21



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL
STATEMENT PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE SCHOOL CITY OF WHITING, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statement of the School City of Whiting (School Corporation), for the period of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statement, which collectively comprise the School Corporation's financial statement and have issued our report thereon dated March 17, 2021, wherein we noted the School Corporation followed accounting practices the Indiana State Board of Accounts prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statement, we considered the School Corporation's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statement, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School Corporation's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School Corporation's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the School Corporation's financial statement will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.


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AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL
STATEMENT PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*
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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School Corporation's financial statement is free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School Corporation's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School Corporation's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.


Paul D. Joyce, CPA
State Examiner

March 17, 2021



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF THE SCHOOL CITY OF WHITING, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

Report on Compliance for the Major Federal Program

We have audited the School City of Whiting's (School Corporation) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the period of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020. The School Corporation's major federal program is identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the School Corporation's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the School Corporation's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the School Corporation's compliance.

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(Continued)

Opinion on the Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the School Corporation complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the period of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the School Corporation is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the School Corporation's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance for the major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School Corporation's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

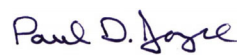
Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR THE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE
(Continued)

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statement of the School Corporation, as of and for the period of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statement. We issued our report thereon dated March 17, 2021, which contained a dual opinion on the financial statement. An adverse opinion was issued regarding the presentation in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, and an unmodified opinion was issued regarding the presentation in accordance with the Regulatory Basis of Accounting. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statement as a whole. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the financial statement. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statement. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statement and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statement or to the financial statement itself, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statement as a whole.


Paul D. Joyce, CPA
State Examiner

March 17, 2021

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS AND ACCOMPANYING NOTES

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and accompanying notes presented were approved by management of the School Corporation. The schedule and notes are presented as intended by the School Corporation.

SCHOOL CITY OF WHITING
 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
 For the Years Ended June 30, 2019 and 2020

Federal Grantor Agency Cluster Title/Program Title/Project Title	Pass-Through Entity or Direct Grant	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity (or Other) Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipient 06-30-19	Total Federal Awards Expended 06-30-19	Passed Through to Subrecipient 06-30-20	Total Federal Awards Expended 06-30-20
Department of Agriculture							
Child Nutrition Cluster							
School Breakfast Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.553	FY 18-19	\$ -	\$ 57,253	\$ -	\$ -
School Breakfast Program			FY 19-20	-	-	-	42,904
School Breakfast Program				-	-	-	-
COVID-19 School Breakfast Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.553	FY 19-20	-	-	-	3,577
School Breakfast Program				-	-	-	-
Total - School Breakfast Program				-	57,253	-	46,481
National School Lunch Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.555	FY 18-19	-	381,831	-	-
National School Lunch Program		10.555	FY 19-20	-	-	-	275,755
School Lunch - Commodities		10.555	FY 18-19	-	47,287	-	-
School Lunch - Commodities		10.555	FY 19-20	-	-	-	18,325
COVID-19 National School Lunch Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.555	FY 19-20	-	-	-	22,303
National School Lunch Program				-	-	-	-
Total - National School Lunch Program				-	429,118	-	316,383
Special Milk Program for Children	Indiana Department of Education	10.556	FY 18-19	-	173	-	-
Special Milk Program for Children		10.556	FY 19-20	-	-	-	132
Special Milk Program for Children				-	-	-	-
Total - Special Milk Program for Children				-	173	-	132
Summer Food Service Program for Children		10.559	FY 18-19	-	22,930	-	-
Summer Food Service Program for Children		10.559	FY 19-20	-	-	-	29,598
Summer Food Service Program for Children				-	-	-	-
COVID-19 Summer Food Service Program For Children	Indiana Department of Education	10.559	FY 19-20	-	-	-	128,029
Summer Food Service Program for Children				-	-	-	-
Total - Summer Food Service Program for Children				-	22,930	-	157,627
Total - Child Nutrition Cluster				-	509,474	-	520,623
Total - Department of Agriculture				-	509,474	-	520,623
Department of Education							
Special Education Cluster(IDEA)							
Special Education Grants to States	Indiana Department of Education	84.027	H027A170084	-	25,609	-	-
Special Education IDEA Part B		84.027	H027A180084	-	237,238	-	-
Special Education IDEA Part B 611		84.027	H027A180084	-	-	-	9,467
Special Education IDEA Part B 611		84.027	H027A190084	-	-	-	234,344
Special Education IDEA Part B 611				-	-	-	-
Total - Special Education Grants to States				-	262,847	-	243,811
Special Education Preschool Grants	Indiana Department of Education	84.173	H173A180104	-	5,272	-	-
Special Education IDEA Part B		84.173	H173A190104	-	-	-	5,601
Special Education IDEA Part B 619				-	-	-	-
Total - Special Education Preschool Grants				-	5,272	-	5,601
Total - Special Education Cluster(IDEA)				-	268,119	-	249,412

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 For the Years Ended June 30, 2019 and 2020

Federal Grantor Agency Cluster Title/Program Title/Project Title	Pass-Through Entity or Direct Grant	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity (or Other) Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipient 06-30-19	Total Federal Awards Expended 06-30-19	Passed Through to Subrecipient 06-30-20	Total Federal Awards Expended 06-30-20
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	Indiana Department of Education						
Title I		84.010	S010A180014	-	171,036	-	-
Title I		84.010	S010A180014	-	-	-	15,291
Title I		84.010	S010A170014	-	27,651	-	-
Title I		84.010	S010A190014	-	-	-	177,082
Total - Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies				-	198,687	-	192,373
Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs Gear Up 21st Century	Indiana Department of Education	84.334	P33S160023	-	2,757	-	-
English Language Acquisition State Grants	Indiana Department of Education						
Title III		84.365	S365A170014	-	5,411	-	-
Title III		84.365	S365A180014	-	12,572	-	-
Title III		84.365	S365A180014	-	-	-	3,022
Title III		84.365	S365A190014	-	-	-	13,008
Total - English Language Acquisition State Grants				-	17,983	-	16,030
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	Indiana Department of Education						
Title II Part A		84.367	S367A160013	-	11,499	-	-
Title II Part A		84.367	S367A180013	-	5,772	-	-
Title II Part A		84.367	S367A180013	-	-	-	19,182
Title II Part A		84.367	S367A190013	-	-	-	8,634
Title II Part A		84.367	S367A170013	-	19,290	-	-
Title II Part A		84.367	S367A170013	-	-	-	10,000
Total - Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants				-	36,561	-	37,816
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	Indiana Department of Education						
Title IV Part A		84.424	S424A170015	-	28,908	-	-
Title IV Part A		84.424	S424A170015	-	-	-	32,514
Title IV Part A		84.424	S424A180015	-	3,545	-	-
Title IV Part A		84.424	S424A180015	-	-	-	984
Title IV Part A		84.424	S424A190015	-	-	-	3,485
Total - Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program				-	32,453	-	36,983
Total - Department of Education				-	556,560	-	532,614
<u>Department of Health and Human Services</u>							
Medicaid Cluster							
Medical Assistance Program	Indiana Department of Education						
Medical Administrative Claiming		93.778	FY 19-20	-	-	-	34,715
Medical Administrative Claiming		93.778	FY 18-19	-	41,457	-	-
Total - Medical Assistance Program				-	41,457	-	34,715
Total - Medicaid Cluster				-	41,457	-	34,715
Total - Department of Health and Human Services				-	41,457	-	34,715
Total federal awards expended				\$ -	\$ 1,107,491	\$ -	\$ 1,087,952

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

SCHOOL CITY OF WHITING
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) includes the federal grant activity of the School Corporation under programs of the federal government for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2020. The information in the SEFA is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the SEFA presents only a select portion of the operations of the School Corporation, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position of the School Corporation.

The Uniform Guidance requires an annual audit of nonfederal entities expending a total amount of federal awards equal to or in excess of \$750,000 in any fiscal year unless by constitution or statute a less frequent audit is required. In accordance with Indiana Code (IC 5-11-1-25), audits of school corporations shall be conducted biennially. Such audits shall include both years within the biennial period.

B. Other Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the SEFA are reported on the cash basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following, as applicable, either the cost principles in OMB Circular A-87, *Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments*, or the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowed or are limited as to reimbursement. When federal grants are received on a reimbursement basis, the federal awards are considered expended when the reimbursement is received.

Note 2. Indirect Cost Rate

The School Corporation has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

SCHOOL CITY OF WHITING
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statement:

Type of auditor's report issued:	Adverse as to GAAP; Unmodified as to Regulatory Basis
Internal control over financial reporting:	
Material weaknesses identified?	no
Significant deficiencies identified?	none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statement noted?	no

Federal Awards:

Internal control over major program:	
Material weaknesses identified?	no
Significant deficiencies identified?	none reported
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	no

Identification of Major Program and type of auditor's report issued on compliance for it:

<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>	<u>Opinion Issued</u>
Child Nutrition Cluster	Unmodified
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	no

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

No matters are reportable.

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

No matters are reportable.

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AUDITEE-PREPARED DOCUMENT

The subsequent document was provided by management of the School Corporation. The document is presented as intended by the School Corporation.

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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

FINDING 2018-001

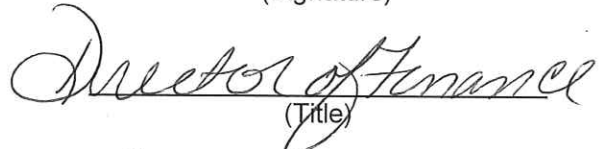
Fiscal year in which the finding initially occurred: FY16-17, FY17-18
Pass-Through Entity, if pass-through or Federal Grantor Agency, if direct: Indiana Department of Education
Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action: Kim Pusateri
Contact Phone Number: 219-659-0656

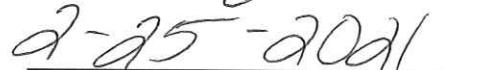
Status of Audit Finding:

Cash Management internal controls were implemented for the 19-20 school year to monitor the cash balance at the end of each month. The average three month expenditure calculation is listed on the monthly spreadsheet and a plan was put into place to spend excess cash balance.

Internal controls were implemented for the 19-20 school year on reporting of the SFA Verification Collection Report. The SFA Verification Collection Report is prepared by the Food Service Director and sent to the Director of Finance for review. The Food Service secretary also reviews the report prior to submission.


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OTHER REPORTS

In addition to this report, other reports may have been issued for the School Corporation. All reports can be found on the Indiana State Board of Accounts' website: <http://www.in.gov/sboa/>.