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FEDERAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT  
OF

DEKALB COUNTY EASTERN  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DEKALB 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	Maria Conwell	07-01-18 to 06-30-21
Superintendent of Schools	Dr. Jeffrey Stephens Dr. Shane Conwell	07-01-18 to 03-05-21 03-06-21 to 06-30-21
President of the School Board	Leon Steury	07-01-18 to 06-30-21



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 DEKALB COUNTY EASTERN COMMUNITY  
SCHOOL DISTRICT, DEKALB 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 Dekalb County Eastern Community School District (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 May 19, 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

May 19, 2021



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH 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 DEKALB COUNTY EASTERN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited the Dekalb County Eastern Community School District'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 each of its major federal programs for the period of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020. The School Corporation's major federal programs are 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 each of the School Corporation's major federal programs 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE  
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We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the School Corporation's compliance.

***Opinion on Each 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 each of its major federal programs 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 each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance for each 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 EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE  
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**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 May 19, 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

May 19, 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.

DEKALB COUNTY EASTERN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 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
<u>Department of Agriculture</u>							
Child Nutrition Cluster							
School Breakfast Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.553					
School Breakfast FY 2018-2019			FY 2018-2019	\$ -	\$ 65,045	\$ -	\$ -
School Breakfast FY 2019-2020			FY 2019-2020	-	-	-	47,298
COVID-19 - School Breakfast Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.553					
			FY 2019-2020	-	-	-	4,559
Total - School Breakfast Program				-	65,045	-	51,857
National School Lunch Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.555					
School Lunch FY 2018-2019			FY 2018-2019	-	294,034	-	-
School Lunch FY 2019-2020			FY 2019-2020	-	-	-	187,881
Commodities			FY 2018-2019	-	53,924	-	-
Commodities			FY 2019-2020	-	-	-	56,594
Subtotal - National School Lunch Program				-	347,958	-	244,475
COVID-19 - National School Lunch Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.555					
			FY 2019-2020	-	-	-	18,102
Total - National School Lunch Program				-	347,958	-	262,577
Summer Food Service Program for Children	Indiana Department of Education	10.559					
Summer Food Service			FY 2018-2019	-	20,677	-	-
Summer Food Service			FY 2019-2020	-	-	-	19,549
Total - Summer Food Service Program for Children				-	20,677	-	19,549
Total - Child Nutrition Cluster				-	433,680	-	333,983
Total - Department of Agriculture				-	433,680	-	333,983
<u>Department of Education</u>							
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)							
Special Education - Grants to States	Indiana Department of Education	84.027					
Special Ed Part B FY 2018			18611-044-PN01	-	41,565	-	-
Special Ed Part B FY 2019			19611-044-PN01	-	263,424	-	-
Special Ed Part B FY 2019			19611-044-PN01	-	-	-	63,133
Special Ed Part B FY 2020			20611-042-PN01	-	-	-	293,986
Total - Special Education - Grants to States				-	304,989	-	357,119
Special Education - Preschool Grants	Indiana Department of Education	84.173					
Spec Ed Preschool FY19			19619-044-PN01	-	7,902	-	-
Spec Ed Preschool FY20			20619-042-PN01	-	-	-	8,173
Total - Special Education - Preschool Grants				-	7,902	-	8,173
Total - Special Education Cluster (IDEA)				-	312,891	-	365,292

DEKALB COUNTY EASTERN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 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
Adult Education - Basic Grants to States	Northeast Indiana Regional Workforce Investment Board	84.002	AE-Impact-2018-01 AE-Impact-2019-01	- -	212,963 -	- -	- 209,205
Total - Adult Education - Basic Grants to States				-	212,963	-	209,205
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	Indiana Department of Education	84.010	S010A170014 S010A180014	- -	167,423 -	- -	- 159,040
Total - Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies				-	167,423	-	159,040
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	Indiana Department of Education	84.048	18-4700-1805 18a-4700-1805 19-4700-1805 19-4700-1805 19A-4700-1805 20-0512-1805 20-0512-A009	- - - - - - -	31,731 5,200 240,446 - - - -	- - - - - - -	- - - 138,105 30,534 293,659 6,895
Total - Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States				-	277,377	-	469,193
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	Indiana Department of Education	84.367	S367A160013 S367A170013 S367A170013 S367A180013 S367A180013	- - - - -	3,037 32,958 - - -	- - - - -	- - 1,660 - 25,028
Total - Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants				-	35,995	-	26,688
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program FY 18 Title IV Part A FY 19 Title IV Part A	Indiana Department of Education	84.424	S424A180015 S424A190015	- -	- -	- -	12,804 620
Total - Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program				-	-	-	13,424
Total - Department of Education				-	1,006,649	-	1,242,842
Total federal awards expended				\$ -	\$ 1,440,329	\$ -	\$ 1,576,825

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

DEKALB COUNTY EASTERN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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.

**Note 3. Northeast Indiana Special Education Cooperative (NEISEC)**

The School Corporation is a member of the Northeast Indiana Special Education Cooperative and serves as the fiscal agent. As a result, some activity for the Special Education Cluster (IDEA) that is presented as receipts and disbursements in the financial statement is not presented on the SEFA for the School Corporation. This activity is reported on the SEFAs of the member school corporations as appropriate.

DEKALB COUNTY EASTERN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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 programs:	
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 Programs and type of auditor's report issued on compliance for each:

CFDA Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster	Opinion Issued
84.048	Special Education Cluster (IDEA) Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	Unmodified 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.

# DEKALB COUNTY EASTERN COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

### **FINDING 2018-001**

Fiscal year in which the finding initially occurred: July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2016

Pass-Through Entity, if pass-through or Federal Grantor Agency, if direct: Indiana Department of Education

Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action: Shane Conwell, Assistant Superintendent; Maria Conwell, Treasurer

Contact Phone Number: 260-868-2125

Status of Audit Finding: Internal controls have been established to increase reliability of and prevent errors on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) reporting. Two business officials generate data for the SEFA to allow for a comparison to be completed prior to submission. Both of those officials sign or initial the Annual Financial Report SEFA to show a review was completed. A description of how to utilize the School Nutrition Commodities website was placed in the AFR folder to ensure these amounts are included in the reporting and since DeKalb County Eastern CSD is the LEA for the Northeast Indiana Special Education Cooperative (NEISEC), a detailed federal grant breakdown is completed each fiscal year for the NEISEC grants and placed in the AFR report folder. Notes on this process were also placed in the AFR folder.

(Note to Officials: To determine what audit findings are required to be reported in the Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings, please see 2 CFR §200.511(b).)

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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/>.