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FEDERAL COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT

OF

BREMEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MARSHALL 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	Stephanie K. Pittman	07-01-18 to 06-30-21
Superintendent of Schools	Dr. James A. White	07-01-18 to 06-30-21
President of the School Board	Brian Teall	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 BREMEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MARSHALL 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 Bremen Public Schools (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 June 2, 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, and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2020-001, that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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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 instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as item 2020-001.

***Bremen Public Schools' Response to Findings***

The School Corporation's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Corrective Action Plan. The School Corporation's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statement, and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

***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

June 2, 2021



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 BREMEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MARSHALL COUNTY, INDIANA

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

We have audited Bremen Public Schools' (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.

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.

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**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 June 2, 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*  
Paul D. Joyce, CPA  
State Examiner

June 2, 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.

BREMEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
 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 Program			FY 2019	\$ -	\$ 31,972	\$ -	\$ -
School Breakfast Program			FY 2020	-	-	-	29,604
Sub-Total - School Breakfast Program				-	31,972	-	29,604
COVID-19 - School Breakfast Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.553					
School Breakfast Program			FY 2020	-	-	-	2,579
Total - School Breakfast Program				-	31,972	-	32,183
National School Lunch Program							
School Lunch Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.555					
School Lunch Program			FY 2019	-	293,626	-	-
Commodities			FY 2020	-	-	-	216,818
Commodities			FY 2019	-	47,964	-	-
Commodities			FY 2020	-	-	-	47,171
Sub-Total - National School Lunch Program				-	341,590	-	263,989
COVID-19 - National School Lunch Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.555					
School Lunch Program			FY 2020	-	-	-	17,003
Total - National School Lunch Program				-	341,590	-	280,992
Summer Food Service Program for Children							
Summer Food Service Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.559					
Summer Food Service Program			FY 2019	-	9,673	-	-
Summer Food Service Program			FY 2020	-	-	-	15,090
Sub-Total - Summer Food Service Program for Children				-	9,673	-	15,090
COVID-19 - Summer Food Service Program for Children	Indiana Department of Education	10.559					
Summer Food Service Program			FY 2020	-	-	-	63,969
Total - Summer Food Service Program for Children				-	9,673	-	79,059
Total - Child Nutrition Cluster				-	383,235	-	392,234
Child and Adult Care Food Program							
School Snack Program	Indiana Department of Education	10.558					
			FY 2020	-	-	-	1,243
Total - Department of Agriculture				-	383,235	-	393,477
<u>Department of Education</u>							
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)							
Special Education Grants to States							
Fed Special Education 16/17	Indiana Department of Education	84.027	14217-116-PN01	-	1,229	-	-
Fed Special Education 17/18			18611-116-PN01	-	95,402	-	12,784
Fed Special Education 18/19			19611-116-PN01	-	231,725	-	93,281
Fed Special Education 19/20			20611-116-PN01	-	-	-	230,801
Total - Special Education Grants to States				-	328,356	-	336,866
Special Education Preschool Grants							
Fed Sp Ed Preschool 16/17	Indiana Department of Education	84.173	45717-116-PN01	-	138	-	-

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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
Fed Sp Ed Preschool 17/18			18619-116-PN01	-	2,139	-	356
Fed Sp Ed Preschool 18/19			19619-116-PN01	-	6,665	-	1,631
Fed Sp Ed Preschool 19/20			20619-116-PN01	-	-	-	6,869
Total - Special Education Preschool Grants				-	8,942	-	8,856
Total - Special Education Cluster (IDEA)				-	337,298	-	345,722
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	Indiana Department of Education	84.010					
Title I 2017-2018			S010A150014	-	11,372	-	-
Title I 2018-2019			S010A170014	-	108,564	-	10,922
Title I 2019-2020			S010A190014	-	-	-	80,337
Total - Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies				-	119,936	-	91,259
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers	Indiana Department of Education	84.287					
21st Century Learning Center			S287C150014	-	119,248	-	752
21st Century Learning Center			S287C180014	-	-	-	111,584
Total - Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers				-	119,248	-	112,336
English Language Acquisition State Grants	Indiana Department of Education	84.365					
Title III 16-17			01117-202-PN01	5,740	6,721	-	-
Title III 17-18			01118-208-PN01	5,684	16,670	10,932	10,932
Title III 18-19			01119-208-PN01	6,087	18,376	77	9,454
Title III 19-20			S365A190014	-	-	2,647	12,164
Total - English Language Acquisition State Grants				17,511	41,767	13,656	32,550
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	Indiana Department of Education	84.367					
Title II 2016-18			S367A160013	-	11,328	-	-
Title II 2017-19			S367A170013	-	23,590	-	6,087
Title II 2018-20			S367A180013	-	-	-	12,146
Total - Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants				-	34,918	-	18,233
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	Indiana Department of Education	84.424					
Title IV 2018-2019			S424A180015	-	2,095	-	7,068
Total - Department of Education				17,511	655,262	13,656	607,168
<b>Department of Health and Human Services</b>							
Medicaid Cluster							
Medical Assistance Program	Family and Social Services Administration	93.778					
Medicaid Reimbursement			FY 2019	-	13,053	-	-
Medicaid Reimbursement			FY 2020	-	-	-	17,346
Total - Medicaid Assistance Program				-	13,053	-	17,346
Total - Medicaid Cluster				-	13,053	-	17,346
Total - Department of Health and Human Services				-	13,053	-	17,346
Total federal awards expended				\$ 17,511	\$ 1,051,550	\$ 13,656	\$ 1,017,991

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

BREMEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
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.

BREMEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
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?	yes
Significant deficiencies identified?	none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statement noted?	yes

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:

<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>	<u>Opinion Issued</u>
Child Nutrition Cluster	Unmodified
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)	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**

**FINDING 2020-001**

Subject: Preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
Audit Findings: Material Weakness, Noncompliance

*Condition and Context*

The School Corporation had not established internal controls over the federal award information entered in the Indiana Gateway for Government Units financial reporting system, which was the source of the School Corporation's Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA). The School Corporation did not have a proper system of internal controls in place to prevent, or detect and correct, errors on the SEFA.

Due to the lack of internal controls, the SEFA presented for audit understated the Summer Food Service Program for Children expenditures by \$70,338.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
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Audit adjustments were proposed, accepted by the School Corporation, and made to the SEFA presented in this report.

*Criteria*

The Indiana State Board of Accounts (SBOA) is required under Indiana Code 5-11-1-27(e) to define the acceptable minimum level of internal control standards. To provide clarifying guidance, the State Examiner compiled the standards contained in the manual, *Uniform Internal Control Standards for Indiana Political Subdivisions*. All political subdivisions subject to audit by SBOA are expected to adhere to these standards. The standards include adequate control activities. According to this manual:

"Control activities are the actions and tools established through policies and procedures that help to detect, prevent, or reduce the identified risks that interfere with the achievement of objectives. Detection activities are designed to identify unfavorable events in a timely manner whereas prevention activities are designed to deter the occurrence of an unfavorable event. Examples of these activities include reconciliations, authorizations, approval processes, performance reviews, and verification processes.

An integral part of the control activity component is segregation of duties. . . .

There is an expectation of segregation of duties. If compensating controls are necessary, documentation should exist to identify both the areas where segregation of duties are not feasible or practical and the compensating controls implemented to mitigate the risk. . . ."

2 CFR 200.303 states in part:

"The non-Federal entity must:

- (a) Establish and maintain effective internal control . . ."

2 CFR 200.62 states in part:

*"Internal control over compliance requirements for Federal awards* means a process implemented by a non-Federal entity designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of the following objectives for Federal awards:

- (a) Transactions are properly recorded and accounted for, in order to:

- (1) Permit the preparation of reliable financial statements . . ."

2 CFR 200.508 states in part:

"The auditee must: . . .

- (b) Prepare appropriate financial statements, including the schedule of expenditures of Federal Awards in accordance with § 200.510 Financial statements. . . ."

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
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2 CFR 200.510(b) states:

*"Schedule of expenditures of Federal awards.* The auditee must also prepare a schedule of expenditures of Federal awards for the period covered by the auditee's financial statements which must include the total Federal awards expended as determined in accordance with § 200.502 Basis for determining Federal awards expended. While not required, the auditee may choose to provide information requested by Federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities to make the schedule easier to use. For example, when a Federal program has multiple Federal award years, the auditee may list the amount of Federal awards expended for each Federal award year separately. At a minimum, the schedule must:

- (1) List individual Federal programs by Federal agency. For a cluster of programs, provide the cluster name, list individual Federal programs within the cluster of programs, and provide the applicable Federal agency name. For R&D, total Federal awards expended must be shown either by individual Federal award or by Federal agency and major subdivision within the Federal agency. For example, the National Institutes of Health is a major subdivision in the Department of Health and Human Services.
- (2) For Federal awards received as a subrecipient, the name of the pass-through entity and identifying number assigned by the pass-through entity must be included.
- (3) Provide total Federal awards expended for each individual Federal program and the CFDA number or other identifying number when the CFDA information is not available. For a cluster of programs also provide the total for the cluster.
- (4) Include the total amount provided to subrecipients from each Federal program.
- (5) For loan or loan guarantee programs described in § 200.502 Basis for determining Federal awards expended, paragraph (b), identify in the notes to the schedule the balances outstanding at the end of the audit period. This is in addition to including the total Federal awards expended for loan or loan guarantee programs in the schedule.
- (6) Include notes that describe that significant accounting policies used in preparing the schedule, and note whether or not the auditee elected to use the 10% de minimis cost rate as covered in § 200.414 Indirect (F&A) costs."

*Cause*

Management had not established a system of internal controls that would have ensured proper reporting of the SEFA.

*Effect*

Without a proper system of internal controls in place that operated effectively, material misstatements of the SEFA remained undetected. The SEFA included the errors identified in the *Condition and Context*.

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
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*Views of Responsible Officials*

For the views of responsible officials, refer to the Corrective Action Plan that is part of this report.

**Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

No matters are reportable.

#### AUDITEE-PREPARED DOCUMENTS

The subsequent documents were provided by management of the School Corporation. The documents are presented as intended by the School Corporation.



## Administration Office

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*Superintendent*

**Mrs. Stephanie Pittman**  
*Treasurer*

**Ms. Terri Biddle**  
*Supt Sec/Deputy Treas*

**Mrs. Samantha Hinds**  
*Payroll/Accounting*

### SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

#### ***FINDING 2018-001***

Fiscal year in which the finding initially occurred: FY 2013

Status of Audit Finding:

Eligibility – Physical applications for free and reduced-price meal benefits are submitted to the Elementary/Middle School Office. The Principal's Secretary is responsible for the entry of the data into the student management system. Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the Corporation Treasurer compares the data on the physical application with the data entered in the student management system. The Corporation Treasurer then initials the physical application and electronically approves the application in the student management system.

Reporting – The Verification Collection Reports are completed by the Elementary/Middle School Principal's Secretary. Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the Elementary/Middle School Assistant Principal's Secretary reviews the reports and documents the review.

#### ***FINDING 2018-002***

Fiscal year in which the finding initially occurred: FY 2017

Status of Audit Finding:

The fixed asset records have been updated to reflect the Federal participation in the purchase of equipment for the Food Service Department.

The Food Service Director has been made aware of the requirement for approval from the Indiana Department of Education for purchases over \$5,000. The request for approval is part of the procurement process.

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### CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

FINDING 2020-001

Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action: Stephanie Pittman  
Contact Phone Number: 574-546-3929

Views of Responsible Official: We concur with the audit finding.

Description of Corrective Action Plan: The School Corporation will modify the existing internal controls over the federal award information entered into the Indiana Gateway for Government Units financial reporting system. Currently, the federal award information is prepared by Stephanie Pittman, Corporation Treasurer and the entire Annual Financial Report including the federal award information is reviewed by Jim White, Superintendent. Beginning with the 2020-2021 Annual Financial Report, the Treasurer will train the Payroll/Accounting Associate to prepare the Annual Financial Report including the federal award information. With that training, the Payroll/Accounting Associate will understand the source documents that feed the information for the Annual Financial Report. Once the training is complete, both the Treasurer and the Payroll/Accounting Associate will review the Annual Financial Report as well as the source documents. The entire Annual Financial Report will also be reviewed by the Superintendent.

Anticipated Completion Date: The training will begin in July 2021 to prepare for the 2020-2021 Annual Financial Report. All documents will be reviewed by both the Treasurer and the Payroll/Accounting Associate.

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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/>.