Whitehall District Schools

# SINGLE AUDIT OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Financial Report and Independent Auditor's Reports

June 30, 2023



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

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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Board of Education Whitehall District Schools Whitehall, Michigan

We have audited, in accordance with the 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 (*Government Auditing Standards*), the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Whitehall District Schools as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Whitehall District Schools' basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 4, 2023.

## **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Whitehall District Schools' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Whitehall District Schools' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Whitehall District Schools' 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a 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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

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## **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Whitehall District Schools' financial statements are free from 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 financial statements. 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 entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Kley De Long, P.C.

Muskegon, Michigan October 4, 2023

## 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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Board of Education Whitehall District Schools Whitehall, Michigan

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

## **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited Whitehall District Schools' compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Whitehall District Schools' major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. Whitehall District Schools' major federal programs are identified in the Summary of Auditor's Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

In our opinion, Whitehall District Schools complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

## Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); 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). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of Whitehall District Schools and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Whitehall District Schools' compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

## **Responsibilities of Management for Compliance**

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to Whitehall District Schools' federal programs.

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## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Whitehall District Schools' compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Whitehall District Schools' compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identity and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding Whitehall District Schools' compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of Whitehall District Schools' internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances 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 Whitehall District Schools' internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

## **Report on 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 a 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance 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 a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance 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 a 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.

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## **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance—Continued**

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitation, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

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.

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

We have audited the financial statements of Whitehall District Schools as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated October 4, 2023, which contained an unmodified opinion on those financial statements. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements 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 statements. 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 statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements themselves, 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 statements as a whole.

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Muskegon, Michigan October 4, 2023

# Whitehall District Schools SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS For the year ended June 30, 2023

Federal grantor/pass-through grantor/ program or cluster title/identifying number	Assistance Listing Number	Entitle me nt program or award amount	Accrued (unearned) revenue July 1, 2022	Adjus tme nts and trans fe rs	Cash or payments in kind received (cash basis)	Expenditures (accrual basis) Prior Current year(s) year		Accrued (une arned) revenue June 30, 2023	Passed through to subrecipents
U.S. Department of Education Passed through Michigan Department of Education: Adult Education—Basic Grants to States	84.002A								
221130-221731 221190-221731	84.002A	\$ 73,112 12,491	\$ 10,301 12,491	\$-	\$ 10,301 12,491	\$ 73,112 12,491	\$ -	\$-	\$-
231130-231731 231190-231731		74,677 12,762	-	-	49,003 10,595	-	63,881 12,762	14,878 2,167	-
		173,042	22,792	-	82,390	85,603	76,643	17,045	-
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies 221530-2122	84.010A	273,243	96,999	-	96,999	273,243	-	-	-
231530-2223		287,309 560,552	- 96,999		253,961 350,960	273,243	287,309 287,309	33,348 33,348	
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants 230520-2223	84.367A	53,933	-	-	53,933	-	53,933	-	-
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.424A								
230750-2223		20,272	-	-	20,272	-	20,272	-	-
Education Stabilization Fund Elementary and Secondary School Education Relief Funds	84.425D								
COVID-19 213712-2021 COVID-19 213782-2223		995,263 104,665	231,865	-	231,865	995,263	- 104,665	- 104,665	-
		1,099,928	231,865	-	231,865	995,263	104,665	104,665	-
American Rescue Plan - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief COVID-19 213713-2122	84.425U	1,490,146	-	-	576,860	-	709,568	132,708	-
Total Education Stabilization Fund		2,590,074	231,865	-	808,725	995,263	814,233	237,373	-
Total passed through Michigan Department of Education		3,397,873	351,656	-	1,316,280	1,354,109	1,252,390	287,766	-

# Whitehall District Schools SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS—Continued For the year ended June 30, 2023

Federal grantor/pass-through grantor/ program or cluster title/identifying number	Assistance Listing Number	Entitle me program award amoun	or	(un re	ccrued earned) venue 1, 2022	U	istments and ansfers	pay kine	Cash or yments in d received ash basis)	 Expenditures (accrual basis) Prior Current year(s) year		s) Current	Accrued (unearned) revenue June 30, 2023		Passed through to subrecipents
U.S. Department of Education—Continued Passed through Muskegon Area Intermediate School District: Special Education Cluster Special Education—Grants to States 220450-2022	84.027A	\$ 425,	582	\$	80,721	\$	_	\$	80,721	\$ 425,582	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -
230450-2023		425,			80,721		-		390,045 470,766	 425,582		425,582 425,582		35,537 35,537	
Special Education—Grants to States COVID-19 221280-2122 ARP	84.027X	40,	091		-		-			-		40,091		40,091	-
Special Education—Preschool Grants 230460-2023	84.173A	16,	562		-		-		16,562	-		16,562		-	-
Special Education—Preschool Grants COVID-19 221285-2122 ARP	84.173X	6,	429						6,429	 		6,429	_		<u> </u>
Total Special Education Cluster		914,	246		80,721		-		493,757	425,582		488,664		75,628	-
English Language Acquisition State Grants 210580-2122 220750-2023	84.365A	1,	946 109 055		49 - 49		-		49 - 49	 946 - 946		1,109 1,109		1,109 1,109	- - -
Total passed through Muskegon Area Intermediate School District		916,	301		80,770		-		493,806	 426,528		489,773		76,737	
Total U.S. Department of Education		4,314,	174		432,426		-		1,810,086	1,780,637		1,742,163		364,503	-

# Whitehall District Schools SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS—Continued For the year ended June 30, 2023

	Assistance	Entitle me nt program or	Accrued (unearned)	Adjustments	Cash or payments in	Expenditures (accrual basis)		Accrued (unearned)	Passed
Federal grantor/pass-through grantor/ program or cluster title/identifying number	Listing Number	8				Prior year(s)	Current year	revenue June 30, 2023	through to subrecipents
<b>U.S. Department of Agriculture</b> Passed through Michigan Department of Education: Child Nutrition Cluster School Breakfast Program	10.553								
221970 231970		\$ 42,921 313,084	\$	\$ -	\$ 42,921 298,935	\$ - -	\$ 42,921 313,084	\$ - 14,149	\$ - -
		356,005	-	-	341,856	-	356,005	14,149	-
National School Lunch Program 220910 221960	10.555	41,787 104,361	-	-	41,787 104,361		29,915 104,361	(11,872)	-
230910 231960		22,619 680,316	-	-	22,619 651,424	-	22,619 680,316	- - 28,892	-
Entitlement Commodities Bonus Commodities		53,697 1,514	-	-	53,697 1,514	-	53,697 1,514		-
		904,294	-	-	875,402	-	892,422	17,020	-
Summer Food Service Program for Children 220900	10.559	9,812	-	-	9,812	-	9,812	-	-
230900		9,421			- 9,812		9,421 19,233	9,421 9,421	
Total Child Nutrition Cluster		1,279,532	-	-	1,227,070	-	1,267,660	40,590	-
Child and Adult Care Food Program 221920	10.558	2,793	-	-	2,793	-	2,793	-	-
231920		<u>18,950</u> 21,743			18,826 21,619		18,950 21,743	124 124	
Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) Administrative Costs COVID-19 220980-2022	10.649	3,135	-	-	3,135	-	3,135	-	
Total passed through Michigan Department of Education		1,304,410	-	-	1,251,824	-	1,292,538	40,714	-
Passed through County of Muskegon: Forest Service Schools and Roads Cluster									
Schools and Roads—Grants to States Total U.S. Department of Agriculture	10.665	1,304,911			501 1,252,325		501 1,293,039	- 40,714	
Four C.S. Deparation of Agriculture		1,50 1,911	-	-	1,202,020	_	1,275,057	10,714	_

# Whitehall District Schools SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS—Continued For the year ended June 30, 2023

	Assistance	Entitlement program or	Accrued (unearned)	Adjustments	Cash or payments in		Expenditures (accrual basis)		Passed	
Federal grantor/pass-through grantor/ program or cluster title/identifying number	Listing Number	award amount	revenue July 1, 2022	and transfers	kind received (cash basis)	Prior year(s)	Current year	revenue June 30, 2023	through to subrecipents	
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Passed through Michigan Department of Education: Child Care Development Fund Cluster Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575		¢ (100.077)		<u>.</u>		â (22.075	¢	<u>_</u>	
Fall 2021 Stabilization Grant Spring 2022 Stabilization Grant		\$ 944,013 1,038,225	\$ (433,967) (1,038,225)	\$ - 499,061	\$ -	\$ 510,046	\$ 433,967 539,164	\$ -	\$ -	
Fall 2022 Stabilization Grant		203,255	(1,038,223)	203,255	203,255	-		-	-	
		2,185,493	(1,472,192)	702,316	203,255	510,046	973,131	-	-	
Passed through Muskegon Area Intermediate School District: Head Start Cluster										
Head Start	93.600									
05CH011882-02		1,042,697	126,065	-	575,058	593,704	448,993	-	-	
05CH011882-03 05HE001049		1,054,399	-	-	580,924 87,414	-	778,700 87,414	197,776	-	
05HE001049		87,414 2,184,510	126,065	-	1,243,396	593,704	1,315,107	197,776	-	
Medicaid Cluster Medical Assistance Program Outreach 22-23	93.778	19,638	-	-	19,638	-	19,638	-	-	
Total passed through Muskegon Area Intermediate School District		2,204,148	126,065	-	1,263,034	593,704	1,334,745	197,776	_	
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services		4,389,641	(1,346,127)	702,316	1,466,289	1,103,750	2,307,876	197,776		
TOTAL FEDERAL ASSISTANCE		\$ 10,008,726	\$ (913,701)	\$ 702,316	\$ 4,528,700	\$ 2,884,387	\$ 5,343,078	\$ 602,993	<del>\$</del> -	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

# Whitehall District Schools NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

Year ended June 30, 2023

- The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "schedule") includes the federal award activity of
  the School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2023. The information in this
  schedule 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 schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the School District, it is not intended to and
  does not present the financial position or change in net position of the School District.
- 2. Please see the financial statement footnotes for the significant accounting policies used in preparing this schedule. Expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. The School District is not using the ten-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.
- 3. Management has utilized the Michigan Department of Education NexSys Grant Auditor Report in preparing the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.
- 4. The adjustments and transfers related to the Child Care and Development Block Grant are related to the return of unspent funds.
- 5. Reconciliation of revenues from federal sources per governmental funds financial statements and expenditures per single audit report Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards		\$ 5,343,078
Expenditures per single audit report		
Other governmental funds (includes Food Service Fund)	 1,287,901	\$ 5,343,078
Community Education Fund	2,292,875	
General Fund	\$ 1,762,302	
Governmental Funds financial statements		
Revenues from federal sources per June 30, 2023		

# Whitehall District Schools SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

For the year ended June 30, 2023

# SECTION I-SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

## A. Financial Statements

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- 1. Type of report the auditor issued on whether the financial statements audited were prepared in accordance with GAAP: Unmodified
- 2. Internal control over financial reporting:

	• Material weakness(es) identified?		yes	<u>X</u> no
	• Significant deficiency(ies) identified	d?	yes	X none reported
3.	Noncompliance material to financial sta	tements noted?	yes	<u>X</u> no
Fede	eral Awards			
1.	Internal control over major federal prog	rams:		
	• Material weakness(es) identified?		yes	<u>X</u> no
	• Significant deficiency(ies) identified	d?	yes	<u>X</u> none reported
2.	Type of auditor's report issued on comp	liance for major federal progr	ams: Unmodifi	ed
3.	Any audit findings disclosed that are rec accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	quired to be reported in	yes	<u>X</u> no
4.	Identification of major programs:			
	Assistance Listing Number(s)	Name of Federal Program	or Cluster	
		U.S. Department of Edu	ication	
	84.425D and 84.425U	<ul> <li>Education Stabilizati</li> </ul>	on Fund	
		U.S. Department of Edu	ication	
	93.575	<ul> <li>Child Care Developm</li> </ul>	nent Fund Clus	ter
5.	Dollar threshold used to distinguish betw	veen type A and type B progra	ams: <b>\$750,000</b>	
6.	Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?		<u>X</u> yes	no

## SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

## NONE

# SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

NONE

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# SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

October 4, 2023

Michigan Department of Education Lansing, Michigan

Whitehall District Schools respectfully submits the following summary of the current status of prior audit findings contained in the single audit report for the year ended June 30, 2022 dated October 27, 2022.

## SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

# Finding 2022-001: SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCY—Proper Use of School District Funds

*Condition*: During the audit, it was noted that post-secondary scholarships were paid out of the Activity Fund as scholarships were granted by the School District to students in excess of what the Community Foundation for Muskegon County funded, thus creating a deficit in the scholarships funds within the Activity Fund. To cover the deficit to the scholarship funds within the Activity Fund, a transfer from the General Fund was made.

*Recommendation:* The School District should contact the School District attorney to discuss a plan regarding the handling of post-secondary scholarships going forward.

*Current Status:* This recommendation was implemented during the year ended June 30, 2023. No similar finding was reported during the single audit for the year ended June 30, 2023.

# Finding 2022-002: SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCY—Recording of Food Service Claims Activity

*Condition:* During the audit, it was noted that an eligible month's claim for reimbursement of food service activity was not filed within the 60 day claim period, therefore foregoing reimbursement for the meals served.

*Recommendation:* The School District should implement a system to verify that all eligible claims for reimbursement are submitted to the State of Michigan on a timely basis.

*Current status:* This recommendation was implemented during the year ended June 30, 2023. No similar finding was reported during the single audit for the year ended June 30, 2023.

"Our mission is achievement for each learner"

Michigan Department of Education October 4, 2023 Page 2

## **SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS—Continued**

# Finding 2022-003: SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCY—Recording of Federal Revenues to Proper Federal Program

*Condition:* Payments from the State of Michigan are electronically deposited into the school bank account without funding source information. During the audit, it was noted that the revenue per the *Grant Auditor Report* did not agree to the proper general ledger revenue accounts.

*Recommendation:* School District personnel should utilize the Grant Auditor Report each month when posting receipts from the Michigan Department of Education to ensure the allocation of funds to the proper general ledger revenue account.

*Current Status:* This recommendation was implemented during the year ended June 30, 2023. No similar finding was reported during the single audit for the year ended June 30, 2023.

## SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

U.S. Department of Education Finding 2022-04: Child Nutrition Cluster Resources Management Procedures Pass-through entity: Michigan Department of Education CFDA/Assistance Listing Number(s): 10.555, 10.559, and 10.558 Award Numbers: COVID-19: 211971, 221971, 211961, 220910, 221961, 210904, 211920, 212010, 211925, 221920, 222010 Award Years: June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2022

*Condition:* During our testing of the Child Nutrition Cluster net cash resources, we noted that the School District Food Service Fund net cash resources were in excess of maximum allowable amount.

*Recommendation:* The School District should develop and complete a spend-down plan to ensure it reduces its Food Service Fund net cash resources below the maximum allowable amount.

*Current Status:* The Michigan Department of Education has determined that this condition is no longer considered a federal award finding. School District management has taken action, primarily the re-equipping of an elementary school cafeteria and kitchen, to reduce the fund balance.

Sincerely,

Mr Jang M. Det

Jerry McDowell Superintendent



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# **CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN**

October 4, 2023

Michigan Department of Education Lansing, Michigan

Whitehall District Schools respectfully submits the following Corrective Action Plan for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Name and address of independent public accounting firm:

Brickley DeLong, P.C. P.O. Box 999 Muskegon, Michigan 49443

Audit period: June 30, 2023

The findings from the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs for the year ended June 30, 2023 provided *no* findings in either Section II or Section III. Accordingly, there are *no* matters requiring corrective action as shown below.

## SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

There were *no* findings in relation to the financial statement audit.

## SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

There were *no* findings in relation to the major federal award programs.

If the Michigan Department of Education has questions regarding this plan, please call Jerry McDowell at (231) 893-1005.

Sincerely,

Mr Jorng M. Och

Jerry McDowell Superintendent