



## Summary

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**Report Title:** [Hardee County District School Board - Financial, Operational, and Federal Single Audit](#)

**Report Period:** [07/01/2014 – 06/30/2015](#)

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### SUMMARY OF REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our audit disclosed that the District's basic financial statements were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with prescribed financial reporting standards.

### SUMMARY OF REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL AND COMPLIANCE

Our audit did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses.

The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; however, we noted certain additional matters as summarized below.

### Additional Matters

**Finding 1:** The District's contract with the North East Florida Educational Consortium, which procured virtual instruction program (VIP) services for the District, did not establish the District's expectations for VIP student-teacher ratios and other instructional information, data quality, security measures, and VIP provider compliance with applicable laws and rules. Additionally, District records did not document the basis upon which District personnel determined the reasonableness of VIP student-teacher ratios. A similar finding was noted in our report No. 2015-097.

**Finding 2:** The District needs to continue efforts to develop a comprehensive, written information technology (IT) disaster recovery plan and, once developed, test the plan annually.

**Finding 3:** District management has not developed a comprehensive, written IT risk assessment. Similar findings were noted in our report Nos. 2014-154 and 2015-097.

**Finding 4:** District security controls related to data loss prevention continue to need improvement.

### SUMMARY OF REPORT ON FEDERAL AWARDS

We audited the District's compliance with applicable Federal awards requirements. The Child Nutrition Cluster and Improving Teacher Quality programs were audited as major Federal programs. The results of our audit indicated that the District materially complied with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major Federal programs.

## AUDIT OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

Our audit objectives were to determine whether the Hardee County District School Board and its officers with administrative and stewardship responsibilities for District operations had:

- Presented the District's basic financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- Established and implemented internal control over financial reporting and compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements or on a major Federal program;
- Established internal controls that promote and encourage: (1) compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements; (2) the economic and efficient operation of the District; (3) the reliability of records and reports; and (4) the safeguarding of District assets;
- Complied with the various provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that are material to the financial statements, and those applicable to the District's major Federal programs; and
- Taken corrective actions for findings included in our report No. 2015-097.

The scope of this audit included an examination of the District's basic financial statements and the accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. We obtained an understanding of the District's environment, including its internal control, and assessed the risk of material misstatement necessary to plan the audit of the basic financial statements and Federal awards. We also examined various transactions to determine whether they were executed, in both manner and substance, in accordance with governing provisions of laws, rules, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements.

## AUDIT METHODOLOGY

The methodology used to develop the findings in this report included the examination of pertinent District records in connection with the application of procedures required by auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; applicable standards contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133.

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**Management's response is included in the audit report.**