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REPORT TO THE MILWAUKEE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS: JULY 2024

The Office of Accountability and Efficiency (OAE) was established to enhance transparency, oversight, and accountability to the District's financial operations; to evaluate fiscal performance; and to recommend solutions in furtherance of fiscal stewardship of Milwaukee Public Schools.

Accountability and Efficiency Services

Between June 15, 2024, and July 13, 2024, Accountability and Efficiency Services completed one constituent inquiry and three information requests. The OAE also satisfied one impartial hearing officer (IHO) request and completed three special projects.

During the reporting period, the OAE has focused most of its effort and attention to the Corrective Action Plan (CAP) under DPI. The CAP was approved by the Board on June 13, 2024 and the OAE is managing the project in conjunction with the Administration as set forth in the plan.

Accountability and Efficiency Services also continued to support the District's implementation of Administrative Policies 3.09 and 6.35.

Contract Compliance Services (CCS)

During this reporting period, Contract Compliance Services (CCS) staff members focused on our Student Engagement Programming.

CCS is excited to continue extending summer internship sponsorship for Milwaukee Public Schools high school students.

Ten student interns underwent interviews across diverse industries within the fields of administrative services, architectural services, construction, environmental services, sanitation services, and urban agriculture. Four students were hired.

CCS remains committed to fostering collaborations with departmental and internal sponsors, actively working toward establishing further internships and work-based learning opportunities for our high school students.

Contract Compliance Services continues to support the District's implementation of Administrative Policies 3.10 and 3.13.

Audit Services

The Audit Services area under the OAE provides independent assurance that the District's risk management, governance, and internal control processes are operating effectively.

Updates in the Audit Services area for the current reporting period include:

- Audit Completions and Activities
 - Two School Audits Issued
 - Retire Health and Life Insurance Benefits Audit Issued
 - One Special Investigative Report issued
 - One Special Review Issued
 - o FY25 Risk Assessment and Analysis Completed
 - FY25 Annual Audit Plan Completed

Corrective Action Plan development and assistance provided to External Consultant Todd Gray