

## Office of Accountability and Efficiency

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## REPORT TO THE MILWAUKEE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS: DECEMBER 2021

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.

During the reporting period, the Office of Accountability and Efficiency continued to implement the FY22 OAE Work Plan.

## Accountability and Efficiency Services

Between November 8, 2021 and December 6, 2021, Accountability and Efficiency Services fulfilled six requests for information/research, ten constituent inquiries, and one request for data analysis/visualization. Accountability and Efficiency Services also completed one special project, processed one RFP/BID appeal, and closed two whistleblower reports. The OAE also collaborated with the Administration on the evaluation of the budget planning process per Resolution 2122R-011.

Accountability and Efficiency Services also created a data library for data visualization projects. This library, which is part of the OAE's strategic planning around data analysis, will allow Accountability and Efficiency Services to field recurring requests for data visualization with greater efficiency.

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

## Contract Compliance Services

During the reporting period, Contract Compliance Services (CCS) staff members continued to focus efforts on re-engaging MPS high schools with the Student Engagement Program. As a result of last month's outreach, CCS received additional requests to host abbreviated Job Readiness Training Sessions at the following MPS high schools: Bay View, Groppi, Project STAY, Milwaukee High School of the Arts, and Reagan.

In collaboration with Casimir Pulaski High School, CCS is piloting and sponsoring two Automotive Assistant internships. The Automotive Assistant duties include:

- monitoring customer service requests using the Google Form, scheduling customers for service, and tracking service completion;
- cleaning Pulaski's automotive shop(s) under the direction of an automotive teacher or staff member; and
- servicing vehicles under the direction of an automotive teacher or staff member.

Additionally, six high school students engaged in interviews for additional internship opportunities in the following industries: actuarial services, administration services, and transportation services.

CCS team members participated in the Governor's Conference on Diverse Business Development. The event connected business owners from across Wisconsin seeking to do business with state, federal, and local governments as well as the private sector. At the conference, minority, woman, veteran, small, and LGBTQ-owned businesses learned from and connected with resource providers, government representatives, corporate buyers, and business professionals to lay the framework to develop new partnerships and new contracts. The annual event provided CCS the opportunity to engage small Wisconsin businesses interested in doing business with Milwaukee Public Schools.

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