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Extraclassroom Activity Fund
Communication of Areas in Need of Improvement

Board of Education
Sidney Central School District

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Extraclassroom Activity Fund of Sidney Central School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Extraclassroom Activity Fund of Sidney Central School District's (the fund) 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 the Fund's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph 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. However, as discussed in the attached schedule, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

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 entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

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.

The significant deficiency and other matters are identified and described in the attached schedule of findings and recommendations.

This communication is intended solely for the use of management, the Board of Education, the New York State Education Department, and the New York State Comptroller's Office and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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October 13, 2020

Utica, New York

**SIDNEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
EXTRACLASROOM ACTIVITY FUND
SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020**

1. MATERIAL WEAKNESSES

None.

2. SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES

See Status of Prior Year Findings and Recommendations.

3. OTHER MATTERS

None.

SIDNEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
EXTRACLASROOM ACTIVITY FUND
STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

1. Significant Deficiency

A. Extraclassroom Cash Receipts

As in prior years, insufficient accounting controls exist over cash collections prior to the initial entry in the accounting records by the Central Treasurer. Internal accounting control and control over undeposited cash collections could be strengthened if receipts for cash collections were issued upon the point of sale and a pre-audit of receipts was available for each major event. This is done in some instances, but for some events it isn't feasible.

The District has implemented a system of reporting and controls over extraclassroom cash receipts and cash disbursements. These include properly completed profit and loss statements, fundraising requests, and cash receipt/cash disbursement sign off and approval forms.

Despite the efforts of the District noted above, a significant deficiency exists due to inherent lack of control at the point of collection due to the various fund raising activities.

Status: Noted again in the current year.