



District Performance Auditing

I. Office of Performance Auditor

A. Portland Public Schools shall maintain an Office of Performance Auditor. The office shall be staffed by a Board-approved District Performance Auditor (Auditor), who shall be hir

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- 5. Financial and other reports are being provided that disclose fairly and fully all information that is required by law, that is necessary to ascertain the nature and scope of programs and activities, and that is necessary to establish a proper basis for evaluating the programs and activities;
- 6. There are adequate operating and administrative procedures and practices, systems or accounting internal control systems, and internal management controls which have been established by management; or
- 7. Indications of fraud, abuse, or illegal acts are identified for further investigation.
- B. The Auditor may provide non-audit services that are not covered by Government Audit Standards, provided that the service does not impair the auditor's independence. Decisions to perform non-audit services will be based on two overarching principles:
- 1. Audit organizations should not provide non-audit services that involve performing management functions or make management decisions; and
- 2. Audit organizations should not audit their own work or provide nonaudit services in situations where the non-audit services are significant/material to the subject matter of audits.

V. Audit Plan

A. At the beginning of each fiscal year, the Auditor shall submit a proposed annual audit plan to the Audit Committee for review and input. The plan shall include the schools, offices, activities, functions, and programs proposed for audit during the year. Upon review of the plan, the Audit Committee will recommend an annual audit plan to the full Board for approval.



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planned corrective actions. If no response is received within the specific timeframe, the Auditor will note that fact in the audit report and will release the report. In the case of contracted audits, audits may be released without inclusion of a response.

VIII. Audit Reports

A. Each audit will result in a written report containing relevant background information, findings and recommendations and shall be delivered to the Audit Committee, Board, and the Superintendent. The report shall also be available for public examination, except as otherwise provided in this policy or prohibited by law.

IX. Report of Irregularities

If during an audit, the Auditor becomes aware of abuse or illegal acts or indications of such acts that could affect the District, the auditor shall report the irregularities to the Audit Committee and the Superintendent. If the Superintendent is believed to be a party to abuse or illegal acts, the Auditor shall report the acts directly to the Audit Committee chair.