


Internal Audit Unit
MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Rockville, Maryland

September 27, 2018

MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. Elizabeth L. Thomas, Principal
Quince Orchard High School

From: Roger W. Pisha, Supervisor, Internal Audit Unit 

Subject: Report on Audit of Independent Activity Funds for the Period
April 1, 2018 through July 31, 2018

Independent Activity Funds (IAFs) of Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) are established to promote the general welfare, education, and morale of students, as well as to finance the recognized extracurricular activities of the student body. School principals are the fiduciary agents for the IAFs charged with determining the manner in which funds are raised and expended for activities such as field trips, admission events, and fund-raisers. They are responsible for ensuring that the IAFs are administered in accordance with Board of Education policies, MCPS regulations, and procedures.

The IAF audits are conducted regularly to evaluate compliance with policies, regulations, and procedures, and to review processes for continuous improvement. Generally accepted audit procedures guide the work of the auditors who examine samples of the IAF records and financial accounts selected from documentation of various activities to verify their accuracy, as well as to assess the effectiveness of financial control procedures. An IAF audit does not review every transaction or school activity but seeks to provide reasonable assurance that there is compliance with policies, regulations, and procedures and that any significant errors or omissions in the financial records are detected.

At our September 10, 2018, meeting with you, Mrs. Judith C. Yu, school business administrator; and Ms. Jacqueline F. Kumiega, school financial specialist, we reviewed the status of the conditions described in our prior audit report dated May 9, 2018, and the status of present conditions. It should be noted that your appointment as principal was effective July 1, 2018. We discussed a number of matters worth your consideration, but we found no material weaknesses in controls during the period designated above. You and your staff are to be commended. No response to this report is necessary.

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