# Washington State Auditor's Office

# **Accountability Audit Report**

# Riverside School District No. 416 Spokane County

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Board of Directors Riverside School District No. 416 Chattaroy, Washington

#### Report on Accountability

We appreciate the opportunity to work in cooperation with your District to promote accountability, integrity and openness in government. The State Auditor's Office takes seriously our role to advocate for government accountability and transparency and to promote positive change.

Please find attached our report on Riverside School District No. 416's accountability and compliance with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures. Thank you for working with us to ensure the efficient and effective use of public resources.

Sincerely,

TROY KELLEY
STATE AUDITOR

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# **Audit Summary**

## Riverside School District No. 416 Spokane County May 13, 2014

#### ABOUT THE AUDIT

This report contains the results of our independent accountability audit of Riverside School District No. 416 from September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013.

We evaluated internal controls and performed audit procedures on the activities of the District. We also determined whether the District complied with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures.

In keeping with general auditing practices, we do not examine every transaction, activity or area. Instead, the areas examined were those representing the highest risk of noncompliance, misappropriation or misuse. The following areas were examined during this audit period:

- Financial condition
- Payments/expenditures

- Student enrollment reporting
- Student transportation reporting

#### RESULTS

In the areas we examined, the District's internal controls were adequate to safeguard public assets. The District also complied with state laws and regulations and its own policies and procedures in the areas we examined.

# **Related Reports**

## Riverside School District No. 416 Spokane County May 13, 2014

#### **FINANCIAL**

Our opinion on the District's financial statements and compliance with federal grant program requirements is provided in a separate report, which includes the District's financial statements.

#### FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS

We evaluated internal controls and tested compliance with the federal program requirements, as applicable, for the District's major federal programs, which are listed in the Federal Summary section of the financial statement and single audit report.

# **Description of the District**

## Riverside School District No. 416 Spokane County May 13, 2014

#### ABOUT THE DISTRICT

Riverside School District No. 416 serves approximately 1,500 students in kindergarten through 12th grade in Spokane County. The District has two elementary schools, one middle school, one high school, one alternative high school and a home-link program.

An elected, five-member Board of Directors governs the District. The Board appoints a Superintendent who is responsible for the daily operations as well as its approximately 200 employees. For fiscal year 2013, the District operated on an annual general fund budget of \$15.9 million.

#### ELECTED OFFICIALS

These officials served during the audit period:

Board of Directors: Sandra Huggins

Jim Fairbanks Chris Nieuwenhuis

Gary Vanderholm

Roger Pratt

#### APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Superintendent Roberta Kramer Business Manager Ron Thompson

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The past nine audits have had no accountability findings.



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The State Auditor's Office is established in the state's Constitution and is part of the executive branch of state government. The State Auditor is elected by the citizens of Washington and serves four-year terms.

We work with our audit clients and citizens as an advocate for government accountability. As an elected agency, the State Auditor's Office has the independence necessary to objectively perform audits and investigations. Our audits are designed to comply with professional standards as well as to satisfy the requirements of federal, state, and local laws.

The State Auditor's Office employees are located around the state to deliver services effectively and efficiently.

Our audits look at financial information and compliance with state, federal and local laws on the part of all local governments, including schools, and all state agencies, including institutions of higher education. In addition, we conduct performance audits of state agencies and local governments and fraud, whistleblower and citizen hotline investigations.

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