

# SCHOOL INTERNAL ACCOUNTS TRAINING

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### **Today's Presentation**

- Review various phases of this year's audit
- Review common audit findings noted
- Preparing for next year's audit
- Opportunity for Q&As and to provide your feedback

### **Internal Accounts Policies & Procedures**

- Florida Dept of Education 2018 "Red Book"
  - Chapter 8
- Internal Accounts / SBAA
  - Principal's Manual for Internal Accounts
  - Checklists
  - Sample forms

http://www.stlucie.k12.fl.us/finance/bookkeeper-secretary-resources

### **Developing our Audit Program**

FDoE Red Book **District Policy** Risk Assessment

### **Ensuring Compliance**

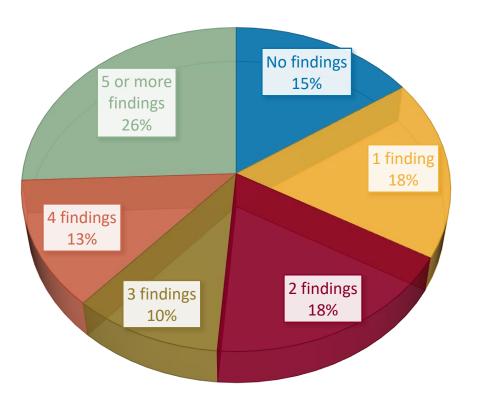
**District Policy** FDoE Red Book **Special Circumstances** 

### **Audit Sampling**

- Sampling selection of less than 100% of the population for testing
- Sampling is used when it is not practical to test all items
- Evaluating exceptions noted during testing
  - Obtain understanding of nature and cause of exception
  - Due to number of samples at each school, each exception is noted on report to District

### **Breakdown of Audit Findings – 2019 Audits**

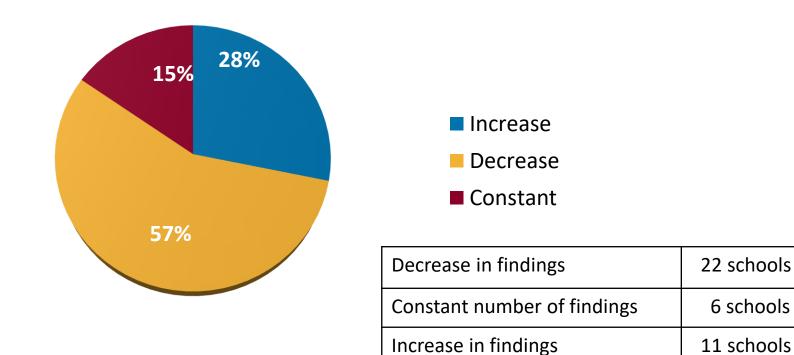
# PERCENTAGE OF SCHOOLS BY NUMBER OF FINDINGS



NUMBER OF FINDINGS	NUMBER OF SCHOOLS	%
None	6	15%
1	7	18%
2	7	18%
3	4	10%
4	5	13%
5 or more	10	26%
Total	39	100%

### **Changes in Findings**

# Changes in # of Findings From Prior Year Audits



### **Average Findings per School Type**



	2019 Audits	2018 Audits
Elementary Schools	1.76	3.06
Middle & K-8 Schools	3.00	4.33
High Schools	6.17	4.00
Other (Special Centers)	2.50	5.67

### **Common Audit Findings – Top 5**

- Ticket sales report not completed and/or no ticket inventory log (21 occurrences)
- Incomplete or missing student receipts or other documentation to support monies collected form (17 occurrences)
- Check requests completed/approved after goods are purchased (14 occurrences)

### **Common Audit Findings – Top 5**

- Monies collected not turned in to bookkeeper/secretary daily (12 occurrences)
- Fundraiser financial form missing or incomplete (6 occurrences) - TIE
- Monthly reports not approved or not approved timely (6 occurrences) - TIE
- Missing or incomplete support for cash disbursements (6 occurrences) - TIE

### **Report of Monies Collected Forms**

- Use of a MCF is required by the Red Book and by District policy
- Must be completed by the teacher or sponsor
  - Should not be prepared by the bookkeeper/secretary
  - Must be turned in no later than the next business
     day after the funds were collected
- Minimum required information
  - Beginning & ending receipt numbers
  - Total cash amount & detail of individual checks

### **Report of Monies Collected Forms**

- Teacher/sponsor must wait for the bookkeeper / secretary to count the monies (verify the MCF) in their presence
  - Lock box alternative allowed by District
- Teachers/sponsors should retain their copy of the MCF – use of a 2-part form is REQUIRED
- Student receipt books should be turned back in to the bookkeeper/secretary to be available for audit
  - Student receipt books must remain intact

### **Report of Monies Collected Forms**

- Class roster or log can be used in lieu of receipts if individual receipts are less than \$5.00
  - If you get an exception from the District, get it in writing
- Individual student receipts not needed if MCF is supported by an inventory or ticket sales report
- Other situations
  - Concessions
  - Car washes
  - Book fairs

### **Check Requests**

- SLCSD uses check requests in lieu of purchase order to provide for internal control over purchases
- The check request is required to be approved by the principal before the purchase is made
- Purchases that require obtaining quotes or bids
  - \$8,001 to \$49,999 requires 3 quotes
  - \$50,000 or more requires competitive bid through
     Purchasing

### **Other Comments**

- Fundraiser financial form (reconciliation)
- Ticket inventory reports & ticket sales
- Donations
  - Receipt of a donation of \$250 or more requires contemporaneous written acknowledgment
  - Donated fixed assets must complete a Fixed Asset Acquisition form
- Inventory
  - What is inventory?
  - Requirements for inventory & sales report

- Policy: All school projects involving purchases of materials or products for resale must account for their inventory at year end.
- Year End Inventory Worksheet with instructions is available on the intranet
  - https://www.stlucie.k12.fl.us/pdf/departments/ finance/book/inventory-worksheetinstructions.pdf

#### **SCHOOL NAME**

#### **Detail of Purchases for**

#### Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2019

Date of Purchase	Item Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Value	
7/11/2018	BLACK SS	13.79	61	\$ 841.	19
7/11/2018	BGRAY SS	13.79	60	\$ 827.	40
7/11/2018	BGRAY SS 2XL	16.79	1	\$ 16.	79
7/11/2018	GRAY SS YOUTH	13.79	50	\$ 689.	50
				\$	•
			Total Purchases	\$ 2,374	88

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		SCHOOL NAME		
	Year End Inventory Reconciliation FY 2018-19			
	as of June 30, 2019			
\$	598.46	Beginning of the Year Inventory, at cost (as of July 1, 2018)		
\$	2,374.88	Add: Total Fiscal Year Purchases-from Tab 1 detail of purchases		
\$	2,973.34	Total Amount (Items Available for Sale in Inventory)		
\$	1,340.63	Less: Total FY 2018-19 cost of items sold (number of items sold multiplied by the purchase price		
		per item)		
¢	1 632 71	End of the Year Inventory, at cost (as of June 30, 2019)		
\$	1,632.71	End of the Year Inventory, at cost (as of June 30, 2019)		

SCHOOL NAME					
Year End Inventory (per physical inventory count)					
as of June 30, 2019					
6/20/2019					
Date of Count			Signature		
			Signature		
item description	pur			inventory value	
Gray SS AS		13.79	5		68.95
Gray SS AM		13.79	9		124.11
Gray SS AL		13.79	13		179.27
Gray SS AXL		13.79	12		165.48
Gray SS YS		13.79	8		110.32
GRAY YL		13.79	1		13.79
BLUE SS AS		13.01	12		156.12
BLUE SS AM		13.01	16		208.16
BLUE SS AL		13.01	18		234.18
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Total \$ 1,260.38					
End of the Year Inventory, at cost (as of June 30, 2019) from Tab 2					,632.71
			Difference	\$ (	372.33)
Explain difference below:					

27 sweatshirts used as incentives / awards for students with perfect attendance

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### **General Funds**

- Chapter 8, Section 2.5 of the Red Book –
  General funds are to be used for the general
  welfare of the student body
- Depending on the source of funds, certain General funds can be used for the benefit of faculty & staff

#### **Trust Accounts**

- Accounts 86XXX are trust accounts
- Funds collected for a specific, restricted purpose
- Monies deposited into trust accounts must be used for the purpose for which they were collected
- Unused monies go back to the donor (if practicable) or handled in accordance with District policy

### **Closing Comments**

- We acknowledge that many schools were working with new bookkeepers / secretaries.
- If you have a question during the year, contact the District Office or other school bookkeepers/secretaries (depending on the question).
- The auditors cannot make the decision to waive policies. If the District is making an exception, get it in writing & retain for audit.

### **Closing Comments**

- Audits of the Internal Accounts are required by Florida Administrative Code 6A-1.087.
   These audits are **not** assessments of the bookkeepers' job performance.
- The principals are ultimately responsible for internal accounts. Principals and bookkeepers working together can help reduce audit findings.

### **Closing Comments**

Thank you for your cooperation during this year's audits.

Questions?

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