

D.C. Everest Area School District

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MISSION STATEMENT

D.C. Everest Area School District, in partnership with the community, is committed to being an innovative educational leader in developing knowledgeable, productive, caring, creative, responsible individuals prepared to meet the challenges of an ever-changing global society.

TO: Dr. Casey Nye, Superintendent

FROM: Dr. Kelley Strike, Assistant Superintendent of Operations

DATE: January 15, 2025

SUBJECT: 23-24 Financial Audit

School districts are required to complete an annual financial audit including any required state single audit. The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has the statutory responsibility to prescribe financial and membership audit requirements. The department prepares an audit manual that any audit firm conducting a school district audit must follow. The manual outlines the types of checks and reviews the auditor must perform for each audit. D.C. Everest has a longtime relationship with Hawkins Ash CPAs to complete the district's annual financial audit.

The attached reports include the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the D.C. Everest Area School District, Wisconsin, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the D.C. Everest Area School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Audit findings include:

- Preparation of Annual Financial Report This is a repeat finding and common across all school districts as school districts do not employ staff to internally prepare their own financial reports.
- Actual Expenditures Over Budget This is a new finding. Although there was enough
 revenue to offset district expenses, the district did not amend the budget in accordance
 with expenditures which is required by state statute. In the future, the finance team will
 review our budget calculations throughout the year and formally amend the budget if
 necessary.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the board accept these reports.