

### STATE OF ILLINOIS

## AUDITOR GENERAL

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

### SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

# REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #11 CLARK, COLES, CUMBERLAND, DOUGLAS, EDGAR, MOULTRIE AND SHELBY COUNTIES

FINANCIAL AUDIT Release Date: March 30, 2022

For the Year Ended: June 30, 2021

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FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 1				FINDINGS			
				Repeated	Category	Category	Category
	New	Repeat	<b>Total</b>	Since	1	2	3
Category 1:	1	0	1				
Category 2:	0	0	0				
Category 3:	0	0	0		No Repeat	t Findings	
TOTAL	$\overline{1}$	$\overline{0}$	$\overline{1}$				
FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 1							

#### **SYNOPSIS**

• (21-1) The Regional Office of Education #11 had improper financial statement reporting of a grant.

- Category 1: Findings that are **material weaknesses** in internal control and/or a **qualification** on compliance with State laws and regulations (material noncompliance).
- **Category 2**: Findings that are **significant deficiencies** in internal control and/or **noncompliance** with State laws and regulations.
- Category 3: Findings that have **no internal control issues but are in noncompliance** with federal and/or State laws and regulations.

# REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #11 CLARK, COLES, CUMBERLAND, DOUGLAS, EDGAR, MOULTRIE AND SHELBY COUNTIES

## FINANCIAL AUDIT For The Year Ended June 30, 2021

\$3,620,343 \$546,167	\$3,255,362						
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93+0,107	\$455,893						
15.09%	14.00%						
\$2,583,735	\$2,540,417						
71.37%	78.04%						
\$490,441	\$259,052						
13.55%	7.96%						
\$3,230,960	\$3,106,753						
\$2,041,421	\$2,116,918						
63.18%	68.14%						
\$404,289	\$417,376						
12.51%	13.43%						
\$785,250	\$572,459						
24.30%	18.43%						
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\$484,559	\$95,176						
\$48,835	\$49,740						
Percentages may not add due to rounding.							
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### REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT

During Audit Period: Dr. Kyle Thompson

Currently: Dr. Kyle Thompson

## FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## IMPROPER FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORTING OF A GRANT

The Regional Office of Education #11 had improper financial statement reporting of a grant.

During the year ended June 30, 2021, the Regional Office of Education #11 (ROE), which is the Area IV lead liaison for the McKinney Education for Homeless Children grant, learned that it could allocate a portion of the grant funds to itself in addition to the 25 percent allowed for administrative costs. Previously, the ROE had limited both its administrative and grant expenditures to 25 percent of the grant. Rather than accounting for the grant in one fund, the ROE set up a second separate fund to account for its non-administrative portion of the grant and reported the revenue and expenditures as it would with other grants. Therefore, all of the activity of the Homeless grant was reported in one fund which included the ROE's portion of the grant, and the ROE's portion of the grant was reported again in the second separate fund.

The ROE is required to prepare financial statements that properly report the ROE's grant revenues and expenditures for the period under audit.

Regional Office management indicated this was an error in presenting the revenues and expenditures. This was the first year the ROE had two separate funds for the Area IV and Sub Grant awards for Homeless. The revenues and expenditures for the Sub Grant award were reported under both the Area IV and Sub Grant Funds. (Finding 2021-001, page 10)

The auditors recommended the ROE should combine the two Homeless grant accounts at year end for financial statement purposes and ensure revenues and expenditures are only recorded once to agree to the actual amount of the grant received from the Illinois State Board of Education.

**ROE Response:** The ROE agrees with this finding and will continue to track the revenues and expenditures separately internally but will combine them when preparing the financial statements. This will prevent the revenues and expenditures from being overstated when presented on the financial statements.

### **AUDITORS' OPINION**

Our auditors state the Regional Office of Education #11's financial statements as of June 30, 2021 are fairly presented in all material respects.

This financial audit was conducted by the firm of West & Company, LLC.

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JOE BUTCHER Division Director

This report is transmitted in accordance with Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

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FRANK J. MAUTINO Auditor General

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