



STATE OF ILLINOIS
**OFFICE OF THE
 AUDITOR GENERAL**

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #20
EDWARDS, GALLATIN, HAMILTON, HARDIN, POPE, SALINE, WABASH,
WAYNE, AND WHITE COUNTIES

FINANCIAL AUDIT
For the Year Ended: June 30, 2025

Release Date: March 30, 2026

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 1				AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS					
				Repeated Since	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	No Repeat Findings	
	<u>New</u>	<u>Repeat</u>	<u>Total</u>						
Category 1:	0	0	0						
Category 2:	1	0	1						
Category 3:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>						
TOTAL	1	0	1						
FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 0									

SYNOPSIS

- (25-1) The Regional Office of Education #20 had inadequate controls over property and equipment.

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.

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	FY 2025	FY 2024
TOTAL REVENUES	\$3,039,699	\$3,120,178
Local Sources	\$1,118,310	\$1,170,820
% of Total Revenues	36.79%	37.52%
State Sources	\$1,417,427	\$1,255,289
% of Total Revenues	46.63%	40.23%
Federal Sources	\$503,962	\$694,069
% of Total Revenues	16.58%	22.24%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$2,856,644	\$2,638,733
Salaries and Benefits	\$1,836,489	\$1,726,934
% of Total Expenditures	64.29%	65.45%
Purchased Services	\$581,681	\$569,563
% of Total Expenditures	20.36%	21.58%
All Other Expenditures	\$438,474	\$342,236
% of Total Expenditures	15.35%	12.97%
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$2,506,353	\$2,323,298
INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	\$203,527	\$202,790
Percentages may not add due to rounding.		

REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT
During Audit Period: Honorable Dr. Beth Rister
Currently: Honorable Dr. Beth Rister

**FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND
RECOMMENDATIONS**

**INADEQUATE CONTROLS OVER PROPERTY AND
EQUIPMENT**

The Regional Office of Education #20 had inadequate controls over property and equipment.

The Regional Office of Education #20 had inadequate controls over property and equipment. During the testing of capital assets, auditors noted several errors on the depreciation schedules used for the reporting of capital assets and related depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2025.

Auditors noted the following:

- A network system purchased in fiscal year 2025 was not capitalized. As a result, governmental activities capital assets were understated by \$11,343 on the Truants Alternative General State Aid depreciation schedule and by \$11,343 on the Safe Schools State Aid depreciation schedule. Once this was added to the depreciation schedule, depreciation expense was incorrectly calculated due to a formula error, resulting in governmental activities depreciation expense being understated by \$851 on the Truants Alternative General State Aid depreciation schedule and understated by \$851 on the Safe Schools State Aid depreciation schedule. On the same Safe Schools State Aid depreciation schedule, one asset that was fully depreciated as of June 30, 2024, had current year depreciation expense calculated in 2025, resulting in government activities depreciation expense being overstated by \$36.
- On the General Budget depreciation schedule, current year depreciation expense for one asset was incorrectly calculated due to a formula error, resulting in governmental activities depreciation expense being understated by \$541.
- On the ARP-1 McKinney-Vento Education for Homeless Children and Youth depreciation schedule, current year depreciation expense for one combined asset was incorrectly calculated due to a formula error, resulting in governmental activities depreciation expense being understated by \$1,308.
- On the Harrisburg project depreciation schedule, current year depreciation expense for five assets incorrectly calculated due to formula errors, resulting in business-type activities depreciation expense being understated by \$7,373.

The *ROE Accounting Manual* notes that detailed records on capital assets should be carefully maintained for accounting purposes and for proper disclosure in financial reports. As such, due care should be taken to ensure all acquired capital assets costing \$500 or more be capitalized, per the ROE's policy, and to ensure the proper calculations of depreciation expense.

ROE officials indicated this finding occurred due to oversight within the fiscal staff. (Finding 2025-001, pages 10a-10b)

The auditors recommended the ROE adhere to the *ROE Accounting Manual* capital asset policy and procedures to effectively and efficiently monitor property acquisitions and to provide for the accurate reporting of depreciation expense and capital asset balances.

ROE Response: *The ROE agrees with the recommendation and will continue to support staff in keeping an accurate report of capital assets.*

AUDITORS' OPINION

Our auditors state the Regional Office of Education #20 financial statements as of June 30, 2025 are fairly presented in all material respects.

This financial audit was conducted by the firm of Doehring, Winders & Co. LLP.

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TRICIA WAGNER
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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