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Hinds County School District Official Statement Regarding State Auditor Findings

Raymond, Miss. — Hinds County School District (HCSD) has been working with the Mississippi Office of the State Auditor (OSA) over the last several weeks while auditors investigated the claims included in the report. In the meantime, the District has been working diligently to address the issues outlined in the state auditor’s report.

In addition to addressing each of the items included in the OSA report, we will be completing the following activities to ensure our District maintains strong financial health and integrity:

1. Conducting a full review of current school district fiscal policies, practices and procedures
2. Revising current school district fiscal policies, practices and procedures as needed
3. Conducting financial training with all district and school staff responsible for fiscal activities

We are proud to report that the district remains on strong financial footing, and the guidance shared by the OSA will help us further strengthen our fiscal controls as we seek to maximize our investments in tools and technology that will help our students prepare for college and careers.

We will continue our efforts to safely and effectively invest and spend public funds to ensure that every student in HCSD has access to the resources they need to succeed.

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About Hinds County School District

Hinds County School District is a collaborative environment where we explore the world, experience authentic learning, enhance our character, envision our dreams, pursue excellence and celebrate success. HCSD serves more than 5,000 students from the communities of Bolton, Byram, Edwards, Raymond, Terry, Learned and Utica.