

September 1, 2023

In connection with an audit of our financial statements, please furnish answers to the in the attached email and respond to Laura Lynch at laura.lynch@whitleypenn.com. The questionnaire is designed to obtain information about transactions between Harris County Department of Education and any related parties.

Related parties include members of the governing body; board members (board of education, advisory boards, etc.); administrative officials (school superintendent, assistant superintendents, head start director, etc.); immediate families of administrative officials, board members, and members of the governing body; and affiliated governmental units not included in the financial statements, such as a public facilities corporation.

Please answer all questions. If the answer to any question is "yes," please explain in the space provided.

Very truly yours

Jesus J. Amezcua, CPA, PHD

Assistant Superintendent for Business Services Harris County Department of Education

AUDIT QUESTIONNAIRE

Harris County Department of Education FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2023



		Yes	No
1	Are you aware of any actual, suspected, or alleged fraud affecting the entity?		
2	Have you received any tips or complaints regarding the entity's financial reporting including those received through internal whistleblower programs, if such programs exist?		
3	Are you aware of any cybersecurity incidents, either from unintentional events or deliberate actions by management or third parties, affecting the entity?		
4	Are you aware of any member of the governing body that has a direct financial interest, received compensation from, or done business with the entity?		
5	Are you aware of laws or regulations that may be expected to have a fundamental effect on the operations of the entity?		
6	Are you aware of any noncompliance with laws and regulations?		
7	Are you aware of any significant unusual transactions entered into by the entity?		
8	During your tenure as a member of the governing body, has any person related to you within the third degree by consanguinity, or within the second degree by affinity, been employed by the entity? See Appendix A for definitions.		

If you answered Yes to any question, please explain why:

The answers to the foregoing question	ns are correctly stated to the best of my knowledge an	nd belief.
Signature	 Date	
Printed Name	 Title	

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Appendix A - Definitions

Consanguinity (Relationships by Blood)

First Degree	Second Degree	Third Degree

Father Grandfather Great-Grandfather

Mother Grandmother Great-Grandmother

Daughter Granddaughter Great-Granddaughter

Son Grandson Great-Grandson

Sister Aunt Brother Uncle

Nephew

Niece

Affinity (Relations by Marriages)

First Degree Second Degree

Father-in-law Spouse's Grandfather

Mother-in-law Spouse's Grandmother

Daughter-in-law Spouse's Granddaughter

Son-in-law Spouse's Grandson

Officer's spouse Spouse's Sister (Sister-in-law)

Spouse's Brother (Brother-in-law)
Sister's Spouse (Brother-in-law)
Brother's Spouse (Sister-in-law)