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Governing Board
Safford Unified School District
734 W. 11th St.
Safford, AZ 85546

Dear Members of the Board:

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §15-914 and the *Uniform System of Financial Records for Arizona School Districts* (USFR), school districts must submit audited financial statements and reports, and a USFR Compliance Questionnaire (questionnaire) to our Office within 9 months of fiscal year-end. We have not received the District's reports and questionnaire for the year ended June 30, 2022, which were due by March 31, 2023. Therefore, the District has not complied with the USFR and applicable State and federal requirements regarding audit report submission.

If the District does not submit the reports and questionnaire within 90 days of the date of this letter, we will notify the Arizona State Board of Education of the District's noncompliance and request that appropriate action be taken as prescribed by Arizona Revised Statutes §15-272.

If you have questions about this letter or the action the District must take, please call Tijana Djordjic, Accountability Services Senior Accountant, or me at (602) 977-2796.

Sincerely,

Meghan L. Hieger

Meghan L. Hieger, CPA
Director, Accountability Services Division

cc: Mr. A.J. Taylor, Superintendent
Mr. Frank Gutierrez, Director of Support Operations
Safford Unified School District
The Honorable Donna McGaughey, Graham County Schools Superintendent
Members of the State Board of Education
Arizona State Board of Education
Mr. Art Harding, Chief Operations Officer
Ms. Deirdre Mai, Deputy Associate Superintendent, Grants Management
Arizona Department of Education