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April 16, 2024

Governing Board Gadsden Elementary School District P.O. Box 6870 San Luis. AZ 85349

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, 2023, which were due by March 31, 2024. 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 A.R.S. §15-272.

If you have questions about this letter or the action the District must take, please call Megan Smith, Accountability Services Division Manager, or me at (602) 977 2796.

Sincerely,

Meghan L. Hieger, CPA

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Director, Accountability Services Division

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cc: Ms. Lizette Esparza, Superintendent

Mr. Robert Bernhard, Chief Financial Officer Gadsden Elementary School District

The Honorable Thomas Hurt, Yuma County Schools Superintendent

Members of the State Board of Education

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Mr. Art Harding, Chief Operations Officer

Ms. Nicole von Prisk, Deputy Associate Superintendent, Grants Management

Arizona Department of Education