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Governing Board
Hyder Elementary School District
1300 S. Avenue 64 E.
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Dear Members of the Board:

Today, we issued a letter to the Arizona State Board of Education (State Board) to notify the State Board that Hyder Elementary School District is no longer in noncompliance with the *Uniform System of Financial Records for Arizona School Districts* (USFR) based on our review of the District's fiscal year (FY) 2024 financial audit reports and USFR Compliance Questionnaire, and FY 2025 records and procedures as of April 2025.

As noted in our October 16, 2025, email and discussion with District management, the District continues to have some outstanding deficiencies, including 8 items that have not been corrected, 3 items that have been partially corrected, 1 item that was not tested, and 1 additional deficiency. Please be advised, the District must act to correct the outstanding deficiencies and the new deficiencies noted in its FY 2024 financial audit reports and Questionnaire, and its future audit reports must reflect that these deficiencies have been corrected. The area containing the most significant deficiencies is information technology, risking the accuracy, reliability, and security of District data.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please contact Chris Votroubek, Accountability Services Division Manager, at asd@azauditor.gov or (602) 977-2796.

Sincerely,

Meghan L. Hieger

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