



**ARIZONA
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Lindsey A. Perry, Auditor General

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Sent via email

Governing Board
Cottonwood-Oak Creek Elementary School District
1 N Willard St.
Cottonwood, AZ 86326

Dear Members of the Board:

We have reviewed Cottonwood-Oak Creek Elementary School District's (District) financial audit reports and *Uniform System of Financial Records for Arizona School Districts* (USFR) Compliance Questionnaire for the year ended June 30, 2025, prepared by Heinfeld, Meech & Co., P.C., which indicates that the District has not complied with the USFR. We have attached a list of the most significant USFR compliance deficiencies we noted in these reports.

We provided separately to you and District management a corrective action plan template that includes these deficiencies. Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §15-271, District management should implement corrective actions within 90 days after the date of this letter.

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

Sincerely,

Meghan L. Hieger

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Director, Accountability Services Division

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Cottonwood-Oak Creek Elementary School District
The Honorable Steve King, Yavapai County School Superintendent
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