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November 29, 2016

Mr. Joseph Langowski, Superintendent  
Lumberton Township School District  
33 Municipal Drive  
Lumberton, NJ 08048

Dear Mr. Langowski:

The New Jersey Department of Education has completed a review of funds received and disbursed from one or more federal programs by the **Lumberton Township School District**. The funding source reviewed was the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The review covered the period July 1, 2015 through November 16, 2016. The resulting report is enclosed. Please provide a copy of the report to each board member. All issued Consolidated Monitoring Reports will be posted on the department's website at [www.state.nj.us/education/compliance/monitor/](http://www.state.nj.us/education/compliance/monitor/). Also, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.6(c), you must post the report on the district's website.

If you have any questions, please contact Carla Spates at (609) 984-5909.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Cicchino, Director  
Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance

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*New Jersey K-12 Education*

**CONSOLIDATED MONITORING REPORT  
NOVEMBER 2016**

**District:** Lumberton Township Public School District  
**County:** Burlington  
**Dates On-Site:** November 16, 2016  
**Case #:** CM-009-16

**FUNDING SOURCES**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Funding Award</b>
IDEA Basic	\$ 344,238
IDEA Preschool	29,067
Total Funds	<u>\$ 373,305</u>

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**BACKGROUND**

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) and the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) and other federal laws require that districts provide programs and services based on the requirements specified in each of the authorizing statutes (i.e., ESEA, IDEA, and Carl D. Perkins). The laws further require that state education agencies such as the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) monitor the implementation of federal programs by sub recipients and determine whether the funds are being used by the district for their intended purpose and achieving the overall objectives of the funding initiatives. Due to the impending implementation of new ESSA regulations, only IDEA will be reviewed during consolidated monitoring.

**INTRODUCTION**

The NJDOE visited the Lumberton Township School District to monitor the district's use of federal funds and the related program plans, where applicable, to determine whether the district's programs were meeting the intended purposes and objectives, as specified in the current year grant application and authorizing statutes, and to determine whether the funds were spent in accordance with the program requirements, federal and state laws, and applicable regulations. The on-site visit included a review of documentation for IDEA Basic and Preschool for the period July 1, 2015 through November 16, 2016.

The scope of work performed included the review of documentation including grant applications, program plans and needs assessments, grant awards, annual audits, board minutes, payroll records, accounting records, purchase orders, and an interview of the program administrator regarding the IDEA grant, as well as current district policies and procedures. The monitoring team members also conducted interviews with school personnel, reviewed documentation for a sample of expenditures and conducted internal control reviews.

**EXPENDITURES REVIEWED**

The IDEA Basic and Preschool grants were reviewed from July 1, 2015 through November 16, 2016. A sampling of purchase orders and/or salaries was taken from each program reviewed.

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**GENERAL OVERVIEW OF USES OF IDEA FUNDS**

**IDEA Projects (Special Education)**

The FY 2016-2017 IDEA Basic and Preschool funds are being used to reduce district tuition costs for students receiving special educational services in other public school districts and approved private schools for students with disabilities. Funds are also used for membership fees to the Burlington County Professional Development Institute, which provides professional development to district special education staff. IDEA funds are also used to support salaries for staff employed during the Extended School Year program and tutors to provide district wide afterschool tutoring for students eligible for special education and related services.

No nonpublic schools exist in the municipality.

**DETAILED FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**IDEA (Special Education)**

A review of the expenditures charged to the IDEA grant yielded no findings.

The NJDOE thanks you for your time and cooperation during the monitoring visit.

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