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Arizona State Board of Education  
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

**Subject: Wenden Elementary School District—Not in Compliance with Audit Reporting Requirements**

Dear Members of the State Board:

We issued a letter on April 18, 2023, informing Wenden Elementary School District that we had not received its audit reports and the *Uniform System of Financial Records for Arizona School Districts* (USFR) Compliance Questionnaire (questionnaire) for the year ended June 30, 2022, which were due by March 31, 2023. We informed the District's Governing Board that if the District did not submit the reports and questionnaire within 90 days, we would notify the Arizona State Board of Education (State Board) pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §15-271.

To date, we have not received the District's audit reports and questionnaire for the year ended June 30, 2022. Consequently, the District has not complied with the USFR and applicable State and federal law regarding report submission, and we request that the State Board take appropriate action as prescribed by A.R.S. §15-272.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please call Meghan Hieger, Director, or Megan Smith, Manager, within our Accountability Services Division at (602) 977-2796.

Sincerely,

*Lindsey A. Perry*

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cc: Governing Board  
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Wenden Elementary School District  
The Honorable Dru Waggoner, La Paz County Schools Superintendent  
Mr. Sean Ross, Executive Director  
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