



## Seattle Public Schools



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#### Annual Internal Audit and Ethics Report

November 20, 2019

## **Internal Audit Annual Report**

School Board Procedure 6550BP - Internal Audit

- Requires an annual report to the School Board within
  90 days of the school year calendar end.
  - Audits Completed
  - Major Findings
  - Corrective Actions
  - Significant Findings Not Addressed By Management



## **Audits and Projects Completed**

#### <u> 2018 – 2019</u>

- Thornton Creek Elementary School
- Seattle World School
- Special Education Writeback Process
- Accounting and Record Keeping for Fiber Sharing Projects
- Three Board Director Projects
- Internal Audit Benchmarking Data
- Racial Equity Advancement Internal Audit Consideration Tool



## **Major Audit Findings**

- Thornton Creek Elementary School
  - School Support Organizations
  - Cash Handling and Receipting
  - Fundraisers
  - Classroom Fees
  - Classroom Assistants
  - Parent Group Bookkeeping
  - Field Trips
  - Gift Cards



## **Major Audit Findings**

- Seattle World School
  - Graduation Waivers
  - Field Trips
  - Fundraisers
  - Summer School Program
- Special Education Writeback Process
  - Timeliness of the Data Extract File
  - Sustainability of the Writeback Process



# **Major Audit Findings**

- Accounting and Record Keeping for Fiber Sharing Projects
  - Overarching Finding Record Keeping for Fiber Projects
  - Purchasing Procedures and Cost Estimates for Fiber Projects
  - Accountability for Fiber Credits
  - Process for Managing Fiber Credits
  - Verification of Annual Maintenance Costs
  - Review and Approval of Fiber Interagency Agreement



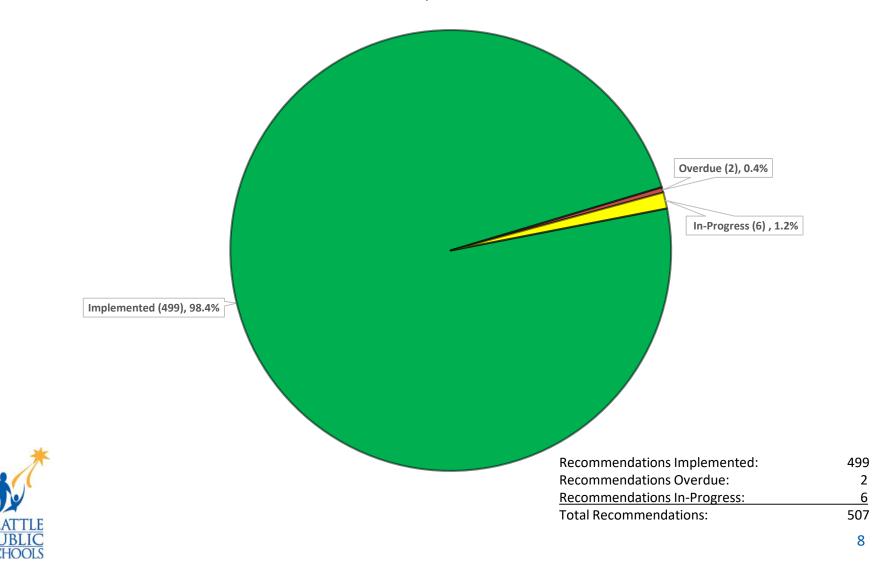
## **Corrective Action Plans**

- District Management Function
- Audit Response Manager
- Approved Corrective Action Plans
- Quarterly Updates to the A&F Committee
- Follow-up Audits



### **Status of Recommendations**

June 2012 – September 2019



## Significant Findings Not Addressed by Management

• Bargaining Items



## **Annual Ethics Report**

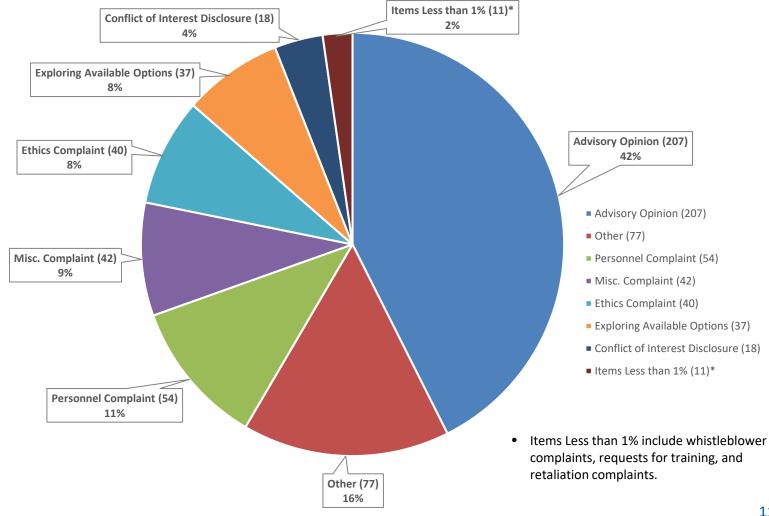
School Board Policy 5251 - Ethics

- Requires an annual report to the School Board within 90 days of fiscal year end.
  - Number and Type of Contacts Received
  - Percentage of Contacts Submitted Anonymously
  - Status of Ethics Training Program

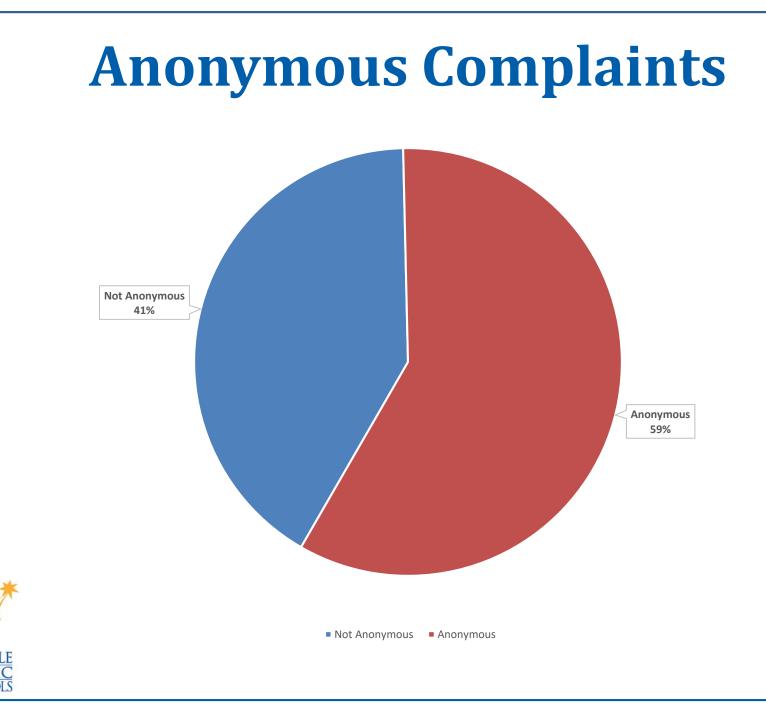


## **Types of Contacts Received**

#### July 2014 – August 2019

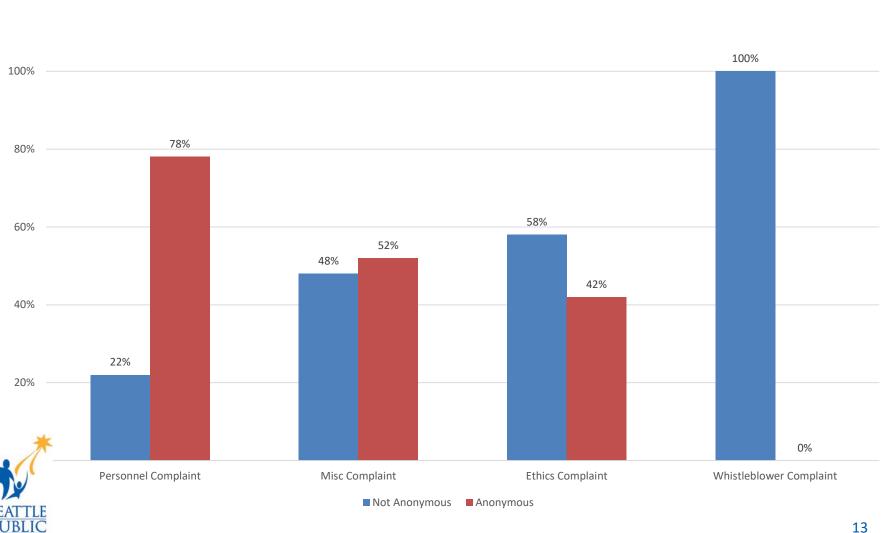






## **Anonymous Complaints**

120%



## **Ethics Training**

- No Changes Since Last Year
  - New Employee Orientation
  - Safe Schools
  - Requests for Training
  - FAQ
  - Online Reporting
  - Media Operations Center



## **Discussion and Questions**

- The A&F Committee has approved next year's <u>audit</u> <u>plan</u> (The plan can change and new risks can be brought forward at anytime)
- Individual audit reports are available on the <u>Office of</u> <u>Internal Audit's webpage</u>
- Questions/Comments

