October 1, 2018

To the Board of Education
Canandaigua City School District, New York

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Canandaigua City School District, New York as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Canandaigua City School District, New York’s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District’s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District’s internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District’s financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. Given these limitations during our audit, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The District’s responses to the deficiencies identified in our audit have not been subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.
Prior Year Deficiency Pending Corrective Action:

School Lunch Fund –

The District continues to monitor the school lunch program which was subsidized by the general fund totaling $14,627 in the 2017-18 fiscal year. Had this subsidy not occurred the school lunch program would have incurred an operating loss totaling $12,193.

We recommend the District continue to monitor the school lunch program for cost containment and revenue enhancement strategies.

District’s Response –

The District agrees with the recommendation and continues to monitor the the school lunch program. For the 2018-19 school year the District increased the shared Food Service Director from a .2 FTE to a .5 FTE and moved the shared position to BOCES to generate BOCES Aid. The goal of the increased supervision is to identify areas of improvement to maximize student participation.

Other Item:

The following item is not considered to be a deficiency in internal control; however, we consider it an other item which we would like to communicate to you as follows:

Cyber Risk Management –

THE AICPA Center for Audit Quality recently issued a cyber security risk management document discussing cyber threats that face both public and private entities. The District’s IT personnel routinely assesses cyber risk as part of their normal operating procedures. We recommend the District continue to document their cyber risk assessment process in writing which should include the risk assessment process, the frequency of the risk assessment, how findings are to be communicated to the appropriate level of management, and how the process will be monitored.

Prior Year Recommendation:

We are pleased to report the following prior year recommendation has been implemented to our satisfaction:

1. The District is now reviewing the EFH670 report to ensure that services received are properly STAC’ed.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board, audit committee, and others within the organization and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We wish to express our appreciation to the business office staff for all the courtesies extended to us during the course of our examination.

Rochester, New York
October 1, 2018