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AUDIT REPORT WINS NATIONAL RECOGNITION

LEXINGTON, KY -- The 2018 Distinguished Knighton Award for best performance audit in the small audit shop category has been awarded to the Washoe County School District, Internal Audit Department by the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA). The Award will be formally presented at ALGA's Annual Conference in Kansas City, MO on May 6, 2019.

The report, [*Nutrition Services - Unpaid Balances and Community Eligibility*](#), was judged on several key elements, such as the potential for significant impact, the persuasiveness of the conclusions, the focus on improving government efficiency and effectiveness, and its clarity and conciseness.

The audit determined whether unpaid charges could be decreased or mitigated while ensuring accountability was focused on the parents and guardians responsible for providing funds for meal purchases. The audit had a potential for significant impact since the rising meal debt is burdening budgets across the school district.

The audit was thorough and supported by evidence, and the recommendations were useful. Implemented recommendations will reduce unpaid meal charges and hold the appropriate caregiver responsible for any outstanding balance. The report was easy to read and understand due to its well-designed format and logical organization of ideas.

Each year, local government audit organizations from around the U.S. and Canada submit their best performance audit reports for judging. The purpose of the competition is to improve government services by encouraging and increasing levels of excellence among local government auditors. Judges from peer organizations determined that this audit was among the best of 2018.

The Association of Local Government Auditors is a national audit association founded in 1985 committed to supporting and improving local government auditing through advocacy, collaboration, education, and training, while upholding and promoting the highest standards of professional ethics.