GANADO USD GOVERNING BOARD RESPONSE TO AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT

The Ganado USD Governing Board would like to greet our students, staff, parents, grandparents, relatives, and stakeholders through K'e (A System of Kinship) and address raised concerns of the findings in the recent Arizona Auditor General's report for Ganado USD. The Governing Board reviewed and accepted the findings and conclusions of the Arizona Auditor General's Report for Fiscal Year 2019 through January 2023 in Report No. 23-205 on November 16, 2023. The Board acknowledges that there is always room for improvement in the operation of our schools, and the Board is committed to continued improvement. The period of this audit report encompassed the entirety of the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, which was a difficult and trying time for all schools, particularly those on the Navajo Nation. The Board takes its oversight responsibilities seriously and has, and will continue to, act in the best interest of all District students.

There is a corrective action plan in place and the Governing Board is committed to continuing to work with the Auditor General's office to remedy all audit findings and ensure the identified deficiencies will not be repeated. This responsibility falls on all of us, and we are committed to addressing these findings as a team without assigning blame to individuals. Our goal is to move forward and implement solutions to improve each year. We appreciate all the support and understanding as the district works toward addressing these challenges. The Governing Board plans to follow our district mission to ensure all students a quality education and strengthen Dine' Cultural values for life-long learning. Together, we will strive to make positive changes for the benefit of our district and community. If you should have any questions or additional concerns, the Governing Board and Superintendent would be happy to take your call at 928-755-1018.