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September 12, 2016

Jay Hamilton-Roth, Foreperson
Marin County Grand Jury
3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 275
San Rafael, CA 94903

Dear Mr. Hamilton-Roth:

Please accept this official response to the 2016-2017 Grand Jury report on behalf of the Nicasio School District. We apologize for its lateness, however we had a change in administration over the summer and the Board of Trustees did not meet to approve the response until September 8, 2016.

Included, please find the official response signed by Superintendent Tom Lohwasser and approved by the Nicasio Board of Trustees. In addition, a sheet listing the URLs for information on the Nicasio School website is included. The website is still under construction and not all Internet browsers can completely access the information, however the site should be completed before the end of the month and this issue remedied.

It is the intent of the Nicasio School District to maintain transparency in all of its operations as an obligation to our community and our students. We have streamlined our website to allow for easier uploading of information in a timely manner. We hope the Grand Jury finds this acceptable.

Please feel free to contact me directly if further information is needed.

Sincerely,

Don Armstrong, Ed.D.
Interim Principal

RESPONSE TO GRAND JURY REPORT

Report Title: 2015-16 Web Transparency Report Card

Report Date: 3/10/16

Agenda Date: 9/8/16

Response by: Thomas Lohwasser, Ed.D.

Title: Superintendent

FINDINGS

- I (we) agree with the findings numbered: F1, F2, F3, F4, F5
- I (we) disagree partially with the findings numbered: 0
- I (we) disagree wholly with the findings numbered: 0

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Recommendations numbered _____ have been implemented.
- Recommendations numbered R1 and R3 have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented by 9/30/2016.
- Recommendations numbered _____ require further analysis.
- Recommendations numbered _____ will not be implemented.

Date: 9/8/2016

Signed: 

District Name: Nicasio School District

District URL: www.nicasioschool.org

Person Completing Form: Don Armstrong, Ed.D.. Interim Principal

Person Completing this forms email: principal@nicasioschool.org

Overview

Mission Statement URL: www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/home/vision-mission

Description of Services/functions URL: NA

Boundary of Service area URL: www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/home/overview

Budget

Budget for the current fiscal year URL: <http://www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/home/2016-09-08-18-52-45/budget>

Meetings

Board Meeting Schedule: <http://www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/school-board/calendar-board>

Archive of Board meeting agendas and minutes: <http://www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/school-board/board-meetings>

Elected Officials

Names and Contact info for Board Members: <http://www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/school-board/trustees>

Board members are not compensated.

Administration Officials

Name of General Manager and Key Staff (Superintendent):
<http://www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/teachers-staff>

Audits

Current Audit and past years: <http://www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/home/2016-09-08-18-52-45/audit-report>

Contracts

None

Revenue Sources

Summary of Fees: NA

Summary of Revenue Sources: See Budget

Reporting

SARC: <http://www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/home/sarc>

CAASP: <http://www.nicasioschool.org/index.php/parent-portal1/smarter-balanced-state-test>

CHKS: None