



The District has been notified that it will receive a Stewardship Award from the Office of the Washington State Auditor (SAO) in recognition of its outstanding performance on state audits and commitment to safeguarding public resources.

The State Auditor's Stewardship Award (SASA) is an award given to a governmental entity that has demonstrated exemplary fiscal responsibility, clean audits, and strong stewardship of public funds.

Each year, audit teams (typically divided by location around the state) have the opportunity to nominate one or two of the entities that they work with for consideration for this award.

Washington State Auditor Pat McCarthy will present the award at the School Board regular meeting on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

"We are incredibly honored to receive this award," said Superintendent Deborah Rumbaugh. "This prestigious award recognizes our commitment to solid and ethical budgetary practices."

The SAO audits the district annually and has consistently found the district to be fully in compliance with applicable requirements with no findings. In giving this award, it cited the district's transparency, especially concerning communication during the audit process.

The mission of the SAO is to provide citizens with independent and transparent examinations of how state and local governments use public funds and develop strategies to make government more efficient and effective. Its audits look at financial information and compliance with state, federal, and local laws.