- F. Financial and compliance audit: All school districts shall have a yearly audit performed on its financial records as required by Section 12-6-3, NMSA 1978.
- G. Financial reporting: All school districts shall provide periodic financial information to the local board as prescribed by local board action. Information shall be presented at a regularly scheduled board meeting. [12-08-89, 02-03-93, 11-01-97, 01-15-99; 6.20.2.13 NMAC Rn, 6 NMAC 2.2.1.13, 05-31-01; A, 10-15-03; A, 11-30-06]

6.20.2.14 CASH CONTROL STANDARDS:

- A. School districts shall establish and maintain a cash management program to safeguard cash and provide prompt and accurate reporting that adheres to cash management requirements of the office of management and budget (OMB) Circular A-102, and applicable state and federal laws and regulations.
- B. The school district shall issue a factory pre-numbered receipt for all money received. Pre-numbered receipts are to be controlled and secured. If a receipt is voided, all copies shall be marked "VOID" and retained in the receipt book.
- C. Money received and receipted shall be deposited in the bank within twenty-four (24) hours or one banking day. If the distance to the bank is considerable, or the cash collection is limited to small amounts and/or low volume and it is impractical to meet the twenty-four hour/one banking day requirement, the local board may request approval from the department for an alternative plan. The bank deposit slip shall have the numbers from applicable receipts entered on it or attached as a reference.
- D. A cash receipts journal is to be used for each fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30, and is to be presented to the school district's auditor during the annual audit.
- E. The school district shall verify that there is sufficient cash and budget prior to the disbursement of cash. A revenue ledger is required for each revenue code as approved in the finalized budget, and additional revenue ledgers may be added as necessary.
- F. The school district shall establish a cash control ledger for each fund/subfund. Inter-fund transfers of cash among separate and distinct funds are not receipts or expenditures. Permanent transfers of previously receipted cash require local board and SIDE approval prior to the transfer. All other types of cash transfers require only local board approval.
- (1) Temporary transfers of cash are to be posted as "due from" and "due to" to indicate inter-fund receivables and payables.
- (2) Posting errors are not to be erased, crossed out, or in any other manner eliminated from the ledger. A separate entry is required to incorporate necessary corrections. Cross-referencing of a correcting entry to the original error should be inserted under the "description" column of the ledger.
- G. Clearing accounts or pooled accounts may be used to combine more than one fund in one bank account. Clearing accounts shall reconcile to a zero balance at the end of each month. Bank reconciliations for clearing accounts shall be completed on a monthly basis.
- H. A local board, through the issuance of a formal board resolution, may authorize the superintendent of schools or his/her designee to approve vouchers for payment prior to a board meeting. A summary listing of the vouchers and any additional information prescribed by the local board shall be presented at the next regular board meeting for formal approval and entry in the minutes.
- I. Vouchers shall be numbered in such a manner as to provide a cross-reference between the voucher, the check, and the check register. All blank checks shall be properly safeguarded and an inventory of unused checks shall be taken periodically. Completed vouchers and supporting documentation is to be placed in numerical sequence, by the month in which they were paid, and filed for future reference and annual audit.
- (1) Each warrant or check issued shall have printed on its face the words, "void after one year from date". Whenever any warrant or check is unpaid for one year, the fiscal officer shall cancel it in accordance with Section 6-10-57 (A), NMSA 1978.
- (2) The fiscal officer shall keep a register of all canceled warrants/checks. The register shall show the number, date and amount, name of payee, fund out of which it was payable, and date of cancellation. The face amount shall revert and be credited to the fund against which the warrant/check was drawn.
- J. The school district shall maintain a cash control ledger for each fund/subfund where all transactions affecting cash are recorded. Cash balances reported to the department shall be the same as the district's cash control ledger and annual audit.
- K. All bank accounts shall be reconciled on a monthly basis. Reconciled bank statements are to be reviewed by the business manager and/or assistant superintendent for business administration. The bank statement, deposit slips, and canceled checks shall be made available to the district's auditor during the annual audit.
- L. The school district shall submit cash reports to the department by the last working day of the month following the end of the reporting period, unless extended to a later date by the secretary of education.
- M. Petty cash funds shall be utilized only in rare instances to facilitate small payments. Petty cash funds are established by drawing a check made payable to the employee charged with responsibility for the fund. The petty cash