

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE 2025-2026**

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Except as otherwise provided in this section, each local school board shall appoint an audit committee that consists of two board members, one volunteer member who is a parent of a student attending that school district and one volunteer member who has experience in accounting or financial matters. The superintendent and the school district business manager shall serve as ex-officio members of the committee. A local school board with more than five members may appoint more than two board members to its audit committee. The audit committee shall:

- (1) evaluate the request for proposal for annual financial audit services;
- (2) recommend the selection of the financial auditor;
- (3) attend the entrance and exit conferences for annual and special audits;
- (4) meet with external financial auditors at least monthly after audit field work begins until the conclusion of the audit;
- (5) be accessible to the external financial auditors as requested to facilitate communication with the board and the superintendent;
- (6) track and report progress on the status of the most recent audit findings and advise the local school board on policy changes needed to address audit findings;
- (7) provide other advice and assistance as requested by the local school board; and
- (8) be subject to the same requirements regarding the confidentiality of audit information as those imposed upon the local school board by the Audit Act [[12-6-1](#) NMSA 1978] and rules of the state auditor.