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1032429	2022-001	Finding:	Edmonds College lacked adequate internal controls for ensuring accurate preparation and review of its financial statements and related schedules.
		Corrective Action:	The College reviewed internal controls for the functions that affect finance transactions within the new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system and implemented the following corrective actions:
			Control Environment:
			• Established a structure for new ERP business processes and updated training documentation with centralized access.
			• Filled vacant positions in the business office.
			• Provided professional development opportunities to finance employees and ensure new guidance and resources are available to remain compliant with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.
			Control Activities:
			• Created procedures for running reports, analyzing and posting adjustments in the new ERP system, which were added to the yearend checklist.
			• Updated bank reconciliation procedures based on ongoing collaboration with the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC).
			• Contracted with a consultant to perform regular financial data verification with the SBCTC.
			• Established a secondary review process for financial statements and back up documentation prior to submission to the State Auditor's Office for audit.
			Information & Communication:
			• Provided ongoing procedure updates and training to all employees in the business and accounting aspects to improve the process of front- end data entry in relation to the overall workflow.
			• Business office employees participated in state, cross-pillar ERP work groups and training to learn to identify subledger transaction details and their reconciliation to the general ledger.
			Monitoring Activities:
			• The finance director performed weekly bank reconciliation progress review with the staff involved in recording and reconciling bank transactions to identify issues and make corrections.
			• Promoted information sharing of front-end financial events and transactions with the finance staff to ensure accurate reporting of the College's financial data.
		Completion Date:	June 2023, subject to audit follow-up

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