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FRAUD RISK CHECK-UP AND ASSESSMENT

AN EXPERT AND PROFESSIONAL REALITY CHECK OF THE HEALTH OF YOUR ANTI-FRAUD PROGRAM

IS YOUR ANTI-FRAUD PROGRAM PROVIDING YOU THE PROTECTION YOU WANT? THE FRAUD RISK CHECK-UP AND ASSESSMENT SERVICE provided by VLS *Fraud Solutions* is an effective and cost-efficient way to assess your school or college's vulnerability to fraud, and to evaluate your existing anti-fraud program. This check-up and assessment is conducted by our VLS *Fraud Solutions* multi-disciplinary team of fraud experts comprised of CPA's, Certified Fraud Examiners and former law enforcement investigators, including the FBI. This team is part of the firm of VLS, a leading business consulting and CPA firm with fifty years of experience in conducting business within the school and college environment. Your check-up and assessment is conducted at an affordable fixed fee with no hidden cost.

“ *The Fraud Check-up is one of the most valuable fraud prevention resources available. It is a simple yet powerful test of your organizations fraud health designed to test your fraud prevention processes to help identify major gaps and fix them before it is too late.* ”

– Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE)

THE STAKES ARE TOO HIGH. Fraud steals integrity, productivity, reputation, credibility and precious public resources. Is your anti-fraud program providing the protection and the daily peace of mind you and your employees want? You want expert reassurance that your anti-fraud defense shields are tough, in place and working hard to protect your educational institution. VLS *Fraud Solutions* understands what's at stake and we can work together to stop fraud from stealing from you.

“ *I found the Fraud Check-up to be very informative and helpful both in how and where we address changes. VLS had a good understanding of our industry and related well to our people.* ”

– Lori Gordien Case, Associate V.P. of Finance—University of La Verne

MINIMUM DISTRACTION WITH MAXIMUM RESULTS. This check-up and assessment provides a penetrating and critical look at your current anti-fraud program and involves interviews of key personnel, review of documents, and certain analytical procedures—all conducted with minimal distraction to your organization. This assessment uses the most up-to-date assessment tools, including the ACFE *Fraud Check-Up*, as well as other professional methods and indicators for testing your vulnerabilities.

This critical review process provides you with identification of fraud risks and the opportunity to fix potential fraud problems early. And it is an opportunity to establish a working relationship with Fraud Experts. Some of the benefits of this assessment to your school or college.....



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Working together to build a culture of integrity and productivity within your workplace

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- identifies measures to prevent a costly disaster and loss of reputation from fraud;
- pinpoints opportunities to save money and gain or maintain advantage using anti-fraud measures;
- evaluates and determines if effective financial internal controls are in place;
- assists in compliance with regulatory or legal requirements;
- demonstrates your attention given and commitment to reducing the risk of fraud;
- promotes ethical reputation and high standards for everyone;
- enables you and all those involved in your anti-fraud program to stay abreast of current fraud trends and standards.

RESULTS AND STRATEGY. Our expert staff will meet personally with you, present a detail briefing of the results of the assessment, and collaborate with you on solutions and strategies. You will be provided with specific measures to minimize your risk of fraud and increase the ethical culture of your organization. You will be provided with recommendations for overall improvements to your anti-fraud program.

SENDING A POSITIVE MESSAGE. Take this opportunity to increase the confidence of teachers, employees, parents and the community as a whole. Your commitment to this assessment is a statement of commitment to a culture of ethical conduct—sending a clear and positive message about management efforts to prevent and detect fraud. It is also a great way to communicate about fraud prevention and ethics to your board and audit committee, and a pathway to collaboration with internal audit personnel.

Employees want to work in fraud free environments with trustworthy employees. They appreciate minimizing the risk of fraud and creating a culture of high ethics – preserving the culture “I wanted when I started”. And they take pride in management who’s setting a positive “tone from the top.” This enables your employees to look forward to working in a positive environment. For you, this leads to an increase in productivity for all staff functions.

Your students’ parents, and the community and vendors who deal with your school or college, want to know that they are conducting business with an ethical organization. They want to protect their investment in you. They want to know that you remain focused on delivering value. An efficient organization with ethical credibility, strong relationships and loyalty within the community demonstrates an efficient organization (especially valuable when your organization may be seeking additional funding).

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT VLS FRAUD SOLUTIONS and to schedule a free consultation, please contact Linda Saddlemire, CPA, CFE, or Ernie Cooper, CPA, CFE - **OUR VLS FRAUD SOLUTIONS ADVISORS - AT (626) 857-7300**. Or you can e-mail Linda at lsaddlemire@vlsllp.com or Ernie at ecooper@vlsllp.com.