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**School District Awarded for Outstanding Financial Reporting**

Reston, VA – 2019 – The Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO) is pleased to award Hood River County School District with the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting (COE). ASBO International's COE recognizes districts that have met the program's high standards for financial reporting and accountability. The school district earned the Certificate of Excellence for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended 2018.

"The COE's mission is to promote and recognize excellence in financial reporting, specifically through a district's CAFR," ASBO International Director of Recognition Programs Molly Barrie says. "The CAFR informs parents and other stakeholders about the financial and economic state of the district, making it an important communications tool for building trust and engaging with the school community."

By participating in the COE program, school districts demonstrate their commitment to financial transparency. Applicants submit their CAFR for review by a team of professional auditors, who provide feedback to improve future documents. If the CAFR meets the requirements of the program, the document may receive the Certificate of Excellence. A district's participation in the COE program can facilitate bond rating and continuing bond disclosure processes.

The COE is proudly sponsored by ASBO International Strategic Partner American Fidelity.

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**About ASBO International**

Founded in 1910, the Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO) is a nonprofit organization that, through its members and affiliates, represents approximately 30,000 school business professionals worldwide. ASBO International is committed to providing programs, services, and a global network that promote the highest standards in school business. Its members support student achievement through effective resource management in various areas ranging from finance and operations to food services and transportation. Learn more at [asbointl.org](http://asbointl.org).

**About American Fidelity**

American Fidelity provides employer cost-savings solutions and supplemental insurance benefits to specific industries. Acting as an extension of the HR department, we educate, enroll, and support the development of robust, competitive insurance packages—all while ensuring seamless administration and employee satisfaction. As experts in employer benefit solutions, our salaried account managers deliver year-round support, help employers overcome benefit administrative challenges, and always offer a different perspective – a different opinion.



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**The Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting  
is presented to**

**Hood River County School District**

**for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)  
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018.**

The CAFR meets the criteria established for  
ASBO International's Certificate of Excellence.



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**Tom Wohlleber, CSR**  
President

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**Siobhán McMahon, CAE**  
Chief Operating Officer