## **Audit Rating Definitions**

Audit Rating	Definition
Unsatisfactory	Design - Design of controls is ineffective in addressing key risks  Documentation and communication - Non-existent documentation and/or communication of controls/policies/procedures  Operation/implementation - Controls are not in operation or have not yet been implemented  Compliance - Significant breaches of legislative requirements and/or departmental policies and guidelines  Risk management - Risks are not being managed  Issues/deficiencies - Most issues were rated as high and urgent corrective actions are necessary
Needs Improvement	Design - Design of controls only partially addresses key risks  Documentation and communication - Documentation and/or communication of controls/policies/procedures is incomplete, unclear, inconsistent, or outdated  Operation/implementation - Controls are not operating consistently and/or effectively or have not been implemented in full  Compliance - Breaches of legislative requirements and/or departmental policies and guidelines have occurred  Risk management - Risks are not effectively managed which could result in failure to ensure school objectives are met  Issues/deficiencies - Some high-rated and/or medium-rated issues were identified
Satisfactory	Design - Design of controls is largely adequate and effective in addressing key risks  Documentation and communication - Controls/policies/procedures have been formally documented and are up to date but are not proactively communicated to relevant stakeholders  Operation/implementation - Controls are largely operating in a satisfactory manner and are providing some level of assurance  Compliance - No known breaches of legislative requirements and/or departmental policies and guidelines have occurred  Risk management - Risks are largely effectively managed  Issues/deficiencies - No high-rated or medium-rated issues identified