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EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Several items used in the East Baton Rouge Parish School System's Jobs for America's Graduates program, including iPads and projectors, have been stolen, and the Baton Rouge Police Department is looking into the theft, according to an audit of the system released Monday by Legislative Auditor Daryl Purpera.

The audit, performed by the Baton Rouge accounting firm of Postlethwaite and Netterville, said the value of the items taken was approximately \$9,500.

The employee involved in the theft was not identified and "is no longer employed by the school system," the report said. The audit covered the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2014.

The items were discovered missing during an inventory after "the resignation of a program director," the report for the state auditor said. The inventory "identified theft of several JAG program assets," including those that were tagged and those that fell below the board's threshold for tagging.

"Employees are to be reminded of the proper procedures and their ethical responsibilities as public servants," the report said. "The school system should also ensure that proper controls are in place over program assets," including conducting regular inventories, especially during the transition of key program personnel.

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