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Dear Parents, Guardians and Members of the School Community,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to provide you information about the 2017-18 New Jersey School Performance Reports, which were recently released and are available on the NJ School Performance Reports webpage at www.njschooldata.org.

The School Performance Reports reflect the New Jersey Department of Education’s (NJDOE) extensive efforts to engage with parents, students and school communities, and share the information that is most valuable in providing a picture of overall school performance.

The 2017-18 reports include changes that respond to stakeholder feedback collected through a feedback survey, at parent round tables and workshops, and from stakeholder engagement throughout the year. These changes include:

- More informative, easier to understand one-page Summary Reports;
- Additional navigation tools and an improved search page within the reports;
- Emphasis on student growth with the growth section of the reports newly featured before the academic achievement section in the reports; and
- More information about Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs, dual enrollment, graduation pathways, progress toward English Language proficiency, staff demographics, and discipline.

Along with the full reports, one-page Summary Reports for each school and district are also available. The Summary Reports provide a high-level summary of how well a school or district is performing with data that address many questions about the district.

A Summary Report Guide is also available on the School Performance Reports webpage to explain the different data points on the Summary Reports.

The NJDOE continues to seek public input on ways to improve future reports. Please complete the feedback survey at www.surveymonkey.com/r/VKNTTRC or email reportcard@doe.nj.gov with feedback and suggestions.

Thank you,

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