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TO: Chief School Administrators  
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FROM: Dr. Robert R. Higgins, Director  
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ROUTE TO: Building Principals

SUBJECT: Request for Volunteers for National Praxis Panels

As you know, the Educational Testing Service (ETS) conducts educator subject matter knowledge tests for New Jersey certification. ETS advises us that several Praxis National Advisory Committees (NACs) will convene in 2011. The responsibilities of NACs are to review and revise specifications for existing tests and/or for new test development. NACs are an important factor in the development of all Praxis and School Leadership Series tests administered by ETS. Our state's representation on these NACs is very important.

We are asking your assistance in nominating teacher and faculty members for the following areas: **Family and Consumer Science, and English**. The nominated professionals should have **2-10 years of experience** and have demonstrated knowledge of the subject matter. Your nominees should register at <http://www.ets.org/praxiscomm.html>. When prompted, the nominees should indicate Brenda Silver, NJ Department of Education as the person who nominated them.

Area	Test(s)	NAC Meeting Month	Nominees must register by:
Family Consumer Science	0121	May, 2011	February 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2011
English Language, Literature, and Composition	0041, 0043, and 0044	June, 2011	April 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2011

Panel participants are selected by ETS from among the nominees. However, please understand that all nominees may not be selected, since the goal is to ensure appropriate representation on all panels by ethnicity, gender, race, teaching level, and geographic location. If selected to serve on one of the NACs, an invitation will be sent to the teacher with details on the location, time, honoraria, and travel arrangements.

We hope you will consider nominating teacher and faculty members for these committees. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 609-292-2037 or by email at [Licensing.Requests@doe.state.nj.us](mailto:Licensing.Requests@doe.state.nj.us). (Please note that there is a “dot” between “Licensing” and “Requests.”)

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