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DATE: September 19, 2011

TO: Chief School Administrators Charter School Lead Persons

FROM: Marie Barry, Director **Anie Barry** Office of Career and Technical Education

SUBJECT: Personalized Student Learning Plan Workshop – November 17, 2011

The New Jersey Department of Education's Office of Career and Technical Education will host an all-day professional development workshop for school districts and charter schools interested in implementing Personalized Student Learning Plans (PSLPs). This workshop will be held at the Crowne Plaza Monroe on November 17, 2011 from 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. There is no registration fee and lunch will be provided at no cost to attendees. Attached is a draft agenda for your review.

For the past two years, fourteen middle schools and high schools have been participating in a pilot program to develop and implement PSLPs. The PSLP pilot schools will share their successes and challenges of implementation with participants to assist them in understanding how a PSLP program supports students in setting academic and career goals. Participants will also have an opportunity to complete a self-assessment tool to determine their readiness for implementation, develop an action plan and learn about the New Jersey Career Assistance Network (NJCAN), a state-supported, free online career exploration and planning tool that can be helpful in implementing PSLPs.

We recommend that school districts register a team consisting of an administrator, school counselor and teacher to attend this workshop. Prospective attendees should register by visiting the NJDOE website registration page at: <u>http://education.state.nj.us/events/details.php?recid=14906</u>.

If you have any questions please contact Lori Howard or David McNair, Office of Career and Technical Education, at 609-633-0665.

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