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Commissioner Davy to Host Webinar On 21st Century Schools

What:

New Jersey Education Commissioner Lucille E. Davy will host a Webinar entitled, "Creating 21st Century Schools" as part of the <u>Cyber Summit on 21st Century Skills</u> hosted by the national Partnership for 21st Century Skills.

When:

Tuesday, June 9 at 2:00 pm (expected to last about an hour.)

Where:

www.21stcenturyskills.org/cybersummit.

Anyone can participate in the Webinar, and it is offered at no charge. In the past, between 100 and 250 people have participated in similar events hosted by state education chiefs during the Cyber Summit.

Background:

The Cyber Summit, which runs from June 1- June 12, is an opportunity for a nation-wide audience to provide input into the national discussion about the infusion of 21st century skills into education to ensure that today's students are prepared to be effective citizens and contributors to the global economy.

It is a prelude to the National Summit on 21st Century Skills which will take place in Washington, DC, on Friday, June 12. The National Summit s a gathering of education leaders, policy makers and business representatives who are coming together to discuss the status of the 21st century skills movement and future actions.

Background: Commissioner Davy will provide an overview of current New Jersey education reform initiatives, including:

- Curriculum and instruction;
- Policy and professional development that reflect the Framework for 21st Century Learning, which is a prescriptive demonstration of how to combine world-class content and world-class skills; and
- The creation of 21st century learning environments.

The Cyber Summit, which will take place solely online, brings together thousands of education, policy, civic, community and business leaders to discuss important education reform initiatives. In addition, the Cyber Summit will highlight the national examples set by states like New Jersey in ensuring students have deep content knowledge and the ability to apply that knowledge across diverse disciplines.

The Cyber Summit leads up to the National Education Summit on 21st Century Skills, which will take place on June 12 in Washington, D.C.

During the Cyber Summit, there will be ongoing forums in which luminaries will analyze and discuss key 21st century skills and knowledge resources, including:

- The 21st Century Skills Implementation Guides, which outline recommended practices for assessments, standards, professional development, curriculum and instruction and learning environments;
- **The** Milestones for Improving Learning and Education (MILE) Guide, which helps educators measure the progress of their schools in defining, teaching and assessing 21st century skills; and
- The National Action Agenda, which will set the policy and reform agenda for the months following both summits and be signed by hundreds of education stakeholders.