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## New Jersey Department of Education Releases 2018-19 School Performance Reports

**Trenton, NJ** – The New Jersey Department of Education today posted online the state's School Performance reports for the 2018-19 school year.

"The annual school performance report serves as a transparent school and district accountability resource for the school community," said Education Commissioner Lamont O. Repollet. "These reports provide valuable information that can inform discussions about how to successfully meet the needs of students and help schools identify areas in need of improvement."

The 2018-19 reports include changes from the previous year's reports that respond to stakeholder feedback collected through a feedback survey, parent roundtables and workshops, and stakeholder engagement throughout the year. The changes include:

- **Emphasis on progress** with new pages showing progress on student growth, proficiency, and graduation rates over the last three years;
- **Expanded data** that allows comparisons between additional student groups (e.g., gender, homeless students, students in foster care) for student growth, chronic absenteeism, graduation rates, and career and technical education program participation;
- Additional resources to help explain where sources of data and how the data is generated; and
- More information including participation in computer science and information technology courses; results of the first year of the NJSLA-Science assessment that was given to fifth, eighth and 11<sup>th</sup> graders last school year; and school-level per-pupil expenditures.

The School Performance Reports and other supporting documents can be accessed on the NJDOE's School Performance Report <u>website</u>, or <u>www.njschooldata.org</u>.





