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### **State Board of Education Honors January Student of the Month**

Eric Delgado, a senior and National Merit Scholar at Bayonne High School in Hudson County, was honored today by the State Board of Education as the January Student of the Month.

Delgado ranks second in his class of 557 and scored a perfect 800 score on the critical writing section of the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).

"He is a kind, conscientious, well-disciplined, highly-motivated student who has always challenged himself," said Nancy Walsh, the school's guidance counselor. "He exemplifies the best of the best and is a credit to his family, his community and Bayonne High School."

Delgado, who was accepted early decision and will attend Princeton University in the fall, has been enrolled in honors courses across the board since freshman year and is the founding member of the high school science club.

In 2005, he won the gold medal at the Hudson County Science Fair for his work on urban pollution and environmental science. Because of that award, Delgado competed in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in Indianapolis. He placed fourth in the competition.

"The State Board is proud to recognize Eric Delgado's many accomplishments," said Dr. Ronald K. Butcher, the board president. "We expect this young man to be a leader in New Jersey for years to come."

"Eric's dedication to his studies and his school is encouraging, and his love of science is inspiring," said Education Commissioner Lucille E. Davy. "He is an outstanding student who deserves this accolade."

Each month, the State Board of Education recognizes a Student of the Month. Last month, the board honored Matt Cramer, a senior at Gateway Regional High School in Gloucester County.