



Six New Jersey Public Schools Earn National Blue Ribbon Award from the U.S. Department of Education

For Immediate Release

Contact: Michael Yaple
David Saenz

Date: September 28, 2016

609-292-1126

Trenton, NJ - Today the U.S. Department of Education announced that six of New Jersey's public schools earned the Blue Ribbon designation for high student achievement and quality programs.

Kimberley Harrington, New Jersey's Acting Commissioner of Education, provided the following statement:

"Today, we congratulate the six public schools from New Jersey selected as National Blue Ribbon Schools for 2016. The Blue Ribbon status represents the highest recognition bestowed by the United States Department of Education. Schools across the nation covet this honor and rightfully take great pride when they are selected.

"New Jersey schools are always well represented in this program. Year after year, the National Blue Ribbon spotlight is placed on several schools throughout New Jersey for their commitment to student academic success."

National Blue Ribbon Schools are honored at an annual awards ceremony in Washington, D.C., where each receives a plaque and flag to signify its exemplary status. Details of their achievements are provided on the U.S. Department of Education's [website](#).

The six New Jersey public schools that earned the 2016 National Blue Ribbon Schools designation include:

Blue Ribbon Schools in New Jersey, 2016	
School Name	School District
Academy for Performing Arts	Union County Vocational School District
Essex Fells School	Essex Fells Borough School District
Lyncrest Elementary School	Fair Lawn Borough School District
Cedar Hill Elementary School	Montville School District
Central Jersey College Prep Charter School	Located in Somerset
Cranbury School	Cranbury Township School District