Date: February 10, 2021
To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads
Route To: Principals, School Staff, Teachers, Enrollment Personnel
From: Peggy McDonald, Ed.D., Assistant Commissioner
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Deadline: Register by February 17, 2021

**Migrant Education Program Presents Training on Agricultural Trends in New Jersey**

The New Jersey Department of Education’s (NJDOE) Migrant Education Program (MEP) presents a three-part technical assistance training series for individuals who identify, enroll, and recruit migrant students. The technical assistance sessions, presented by the director of the U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Migrant Education’s Identification and Recruitment Consortium (IDRC), will provide an overview and highlight the trends occurring in New Jersey agriculture. These trends impact the movement of migrant families and youth coming to and from the state.

The New Jersey MEP assists school districts and charter schools with coordinating the continuity of educational services for children with interrupted schooling due to repeated relocation for family members to seek employment in agriculture, fishing and/or dairy work out of economic necessity.

**Key steps**
Register online through the [NJDOE Calendar](#) webpage for this three-part training series. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email containing information on how to join the technical assistance sessions.

**Contact information**
Thank you for your interest in being a part of the NJDOE’s efforts to support migrant education across the State. If you have questions, please email the State Coordinator for the MEP, Pheobie Thomas, at pheobie.thomas@doe.nj.gov or call (609) 256-1226.

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