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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads, Administrators of Approved Private Schools for Students with Disabilities, and Directors of Nonpublic Schools

Route To: Principals, Administrators, Teachers, School Counselors, Social Workers, Student Assistance Coordinators, Child Study Team Members, School Safety Specialists, and School Nurses

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DREAMS Project Hosts Free Webinar on Creating Trauma-Informed Learning Environments

Through the “DREAMS Project” partnership between the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) and the New Jersey Department of Children and Families (NJDCF), 50 school districts throughout the state are receiving trauma-informed and healing-centered training and support, including training in the [Nurtured Heart Approach](#). The NJDOE, in collaboration with the NJDCF and sponsored by the DREAMS Project, is excited to provide an opportunity for educators to learn strategies for implementing trauma-informed supports in schools via a live **webinar on Tuesday, April 5 from 2:30-3:45 pm.**

The webinar will provide guidance on how schools can establish safe, welcoming, and relationship-centered learning environments and practices for all students that provide structure, help mitigate the effects of any trauma or adversity a student may be facing, and support positive growth.

Educators are encouraged to register for this webinar by registering on the NJDOE [Calendar of Events webpage](#). There is no cost to register. Additional resources can be found on the [NJDOE’s Trauma-Informed and Healing Centered Practices website](#). Questions can be directed to the Office of Student Support Services at SafeSupportiveSchools@doe.nj.gov.

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