Date: January 17, 2024

To: Local Educational Agency Leads, Administrators of Approved Private Schools for Students with

Disabilities

Route To: School Leaders, Building Administrators, Directors of Guidance, Special Education Directors, Child

Study Team Members, Teachers

From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner

**Division of Educational Services** 

Deadline: Registration will be closed once each session reaches maximum capacity

Sessions begin January 29, 2024

## **Reminder: Division of Educational Services Winter Institute**

Time is running out for school leaders and teams of educators to register for professional learning sessions at School Leader Winter Institute 2024, offered between January 29, 2024, and February 9, 2024.

The sessions are designed for school leaders and school teams including local educational agency (LEA) administrators, educators, and other building and LEA professionals. Participants will have a broad array of options for in-person and virtual professional learning opportunities focused on supporting all learners, with an emphasis on instruction, interventions, data-driven decision-making, and school climate.

In one incredible session, Dr. Edward Fergus, Professor of Urban Education at Rutgers
University-Newark, and field expert will speak about "Significant Disproportionality." This session will help school leaders to think strategically about reducing implicit bias and ensuring equity for all students. Dr. Fergus is presenting this session in person on two different days and in two locations:

- January 30, 2024, at the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) Offices at 100 Riverview Plaza, Trenton.
- January 31, 2024, at the Learning Center-North at 7 Glenwood Avenue, East Orange.

## Session Sign-Ups

Individuals may register following three easy steps:

- Step 1: Review the many offerings on the Winter Institute website.
- **Step 2:** Click on the presentation title for the session.
- **Step 3:** Register for the event through NJDOE's <u>Calendar of Events</u> webpage, which can also be accessed through the "Online Registration" link under each session description.

## **New Jersey Partnership for Student Success (NJPSS)**

Winter Institute Sessions are provided as part of the <u>NJPSS</u>, a three-year effort focused on supporting students, families, and educators with the goal of realizing academic gains, increasing graduation rates, reducing chronic absenteeism, and improving student well-being and mental health.

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