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To: Local Educational Agency Leads

- Route To:Principals, Directors of Student Support Services, Directors of Special Education, Child Study TeamMembers, Special Education Teachers, and General Education Teachers
- From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner Division of Educational Services

Statewide Information Session on the Release of the New Jersey Quality Indicators for Programs Serving Students with Disabilities aged 18-21-Years-Old

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE), Office of Special Education (OSE) is pleased to announce the release of the <u>New Jersey Quality Indicators for Programs Serving Students with Disabilities Aged 18-21-Years-Old</u> (18-21QI). The 18-21QI was developed to foster the creation, continuous improvement, and effectiveness of 18-21 programs within districts, ensuring that every student with disabilities receives the support they need to thrive. This guidance document contains both a self-assessment and a quality improvement guide for programs serving students with disabilities aged 18-to-21-years-old. OSE also created a <u>recorded information session</u> to support the release of the 18-21QI.

We encourage all educators, administrators, and stakeholders to view the recorded information session. Together, we can create inclusive and supportive educational programming that empowers our students with disabilities aged 18-21-years-old to excel and achieve their full potential.

Contact Information

Please direct all questions to the Office of Special Education at <u>OSEInfo@doe.nj.gov</u> or 609-376-9060.

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