



STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: May 6, 2026
To: Local Educational Agency Leads
Route To: Superintendents, Principals, Education Supervisors, Educators
From: Jordan Schiff, Ed.D., Assistant Commissioner
Division of Teaching and Learning Services
Deadline: June 5, 2026

2026 Teacher Climate and Culture Institute Invitation

"Teachers in strong climates get better faster, stay longer, and propel their students to greater heights." National State Boards of Education, May 2020

The New Jersey Department of Education invites you to join us for *New Jersey's Teacher Climate and Culture Institute: From Insight to Implementation* taking place on July 28, 2026, from 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. in the Brower Student Center at The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Road, Ewing Township, NJ 08618.

New Jersey consistently ranks among the nation's leading states in education, a distinction rooted in the excellence of its schools. On July 28, 2026, the New Jersey Department of Education will showcase the innovation and high-quality practices that define education across the state. This one-day institute is designed to support school districts by elevating educational expertise from across New Jersey and sharing best practices and proven strategies that foster a positive climate and culture for educators in our schools.

We encourage districts to send teams of three to five educators (a team of teachers and administrators) to attend the conference. Sessions throughout the day will:

- Recognize educators and schools/districts that exemplify the best the state has to offer
- Showcase best practices in enhancing climate and culture for educators in New Jersey schools
- Strengthen teaching, leading and learning in a collaborative environment

Additional Information

We hope that you will join us at the Teacher Climate and Culture Institute on July 28, 2026. Please fill out the [2026 Teacher Climate & Culture Attendee Registration Form](#) no later than June 5, 2026. Space is limited, so please register as soon as possible as we anticipate this event will fill quickly. Plan to either bring your lunch or purchase lunch at the event. There is no cost to attend.

Event information to help you plan your day can be found on the [Teacher Climate & Culture Institute website](#).

Contact Information

For questions, please email tccinstitute@doe.nj.gov.