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McGREEVEY AND LIBRERA TO HOST TEACHER TOWN MEETING IN MERCER COUNTY

(TRENTON)--Governor James E. McGreevey and Education Commissioner William L. Librera will host the fourth Teacher Town Meeting on Wednesday, December 11th, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. for Mercer County educators. The forum will take place inside Ewing High School, 900 Parkway Avenue, Ewing.

Governor McGreevey and Commissioner Librera have pledged to meet with teachers in every County in the State in order to explain the Administration's 21-point educational reform plan and to meet with teachers to establish an open dialogue.

The Teacher Town Meetings provide an open forum for teachers and educators to question the Governor and Commissioner on a wide range of state-level education initiatives and policies.

At previous Town Meetings, the Governor and Commissioner explained the specific steps the Department of Education is taking to implement the Governor's education reform agenda. This agenda includes:

- An emphasis on teacher and administrator quality;
- Raising student achievement;
- Highlighting diverse and multiple paths for student success;
- Supporting innovative and outstanding practices/programs; and
- Encouraging public engagement and communication.