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State Board of Education Honors Clifford Doll, New Jersey's School Business Administrator of the Year

Clifford Doll, New Jersey's School Business Administrator of the Year for 2003, was honored at today's meeting of the State Board of Education. The board recognized Doll for his selection by the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials (NJASBO).

Doll, a 29-year career educator in the Bayonne Public Schools, has been his district's business administrator since 1979. He recently received his award from NJASBO at the association's annual conference.

"Education in New Jersey is a major business operation, and it is extremely important that we have highly qualified, innovative and intelligent leaders in the critical profession of school business administration," said Commissioner of Education William L. Librera. "I commend Clifford Doll for growing in expertise and leadership as a school business administrator to the benefit of the children of Bayonne and to his colleagues in the field."

"Bayonne has entrusted Clifford Doll with its financial operations for nearly a quarter century," said State Board of Education President Maud Dahme. "Despite serving under different superintendents and school board members in a changing economy, he has served as a reliable and constant source of knowledge in his district's central office."

Doll, a resident of Millington, New Jersey, oversees a \$73.3 million budget for Bayonne, an urban school district in Hudson County that enrolls approximately 8,500 students. He spent his first six years in Bayonne as a classroom teacher and administrator before he was named the district's school business administrator.

In his district, Doll has served as project manager for construction of a new school, an ice rink and many additions to existing schools, all while performing the usual duties of a school business administrator, which include financial management, negotiations, transportation and related functions.

Doll has served as secretary/treasurer of the Hudson County Association of School Business Administrators for the past 19 years, and has presented at six NJASBO conferences. He has been an adjunct professor at St. Peter's College since 1980.

A \$1,500 scholarship will be given in Doll's name to a high school senior in the district of his choice.