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Statement on the Selection of 'Race to the Top' Phase 2 Recipients

Trenton, NJ - Department of Education Commissioner Bret Schundler today issued the following statement in response to the selection of the final Race to the Top Phase 2 recipients:

"While I am disappointed that New Jersey, having been chosen as a finalist, was not ultimately selected as a recipient at the end of this highly competitive process, our commitment to bold, meaningful reform remains firm. This process has allowed us to move quickly and vigorously to craft much-needed education reforms, while securing the unanimous, bipartisan support of the legislature for the plan embodied in our Race to the Top application. This fall we must act swiftly to implement the education reforms the people of New Jersey deserve and demand to transform schools in our state that are failing, improve the quality of education for every New Jersey child and challenge the status quo wherever it is necessary."

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