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Nine New Jersey Schools Earn Blue Ribbon Award from the U.S. Department of Education

Trenton, NJ – The New Jersey Department of Education announced that nine New Jersey schools earned the national Blue Ribbon award for high student achievement. The U.S. Department of Education today announced the recipients of the award, which recognizes schools for overall academic performance.

“This prestigious recognition affirms the dedication of our educators, the resilience of our students, and the support of our communities,” **said Dr. Angelica Allen-McMillan, Acting Commissioner of Education.** “It highlights New Jersey’s commitment to excellence in education and showcases the exceptional work happening in our schools. These National Blue Ribbon schools serve as shining examples of what is possible when we prioritize innovation, inclusivity, and a rigorous pursuit of academic excellence. We are immensely proud of their accomplishments and their contribution to the future success of our state.”

The [National Blue Ribbon Schools Program](#) recognizes outstanding schools that have high overall academic achievement and/or success in closing the achievement gap among diverse groups of students that they serve. The goal of this program – one of the longest-running recognition programs run by the U.S. Department of Education – is to highlight the hard work of students, educators, and communities in creating successful and welcoming school environments while encouraging other schools to follow these best practices.

National Blue Ribbon Schools are honored at an annual awards ceremony in Washington, D.C., where each receives a plaque and flag to signify its exemplary status. Details of the schools that received the Blue Ribbon designation are provided on the U.S. Department of Education’s [website](#).

The New Jersey schools receiving the 2023 National Blue Ribbon Schools designation include:

County	District	School
Bergen	Demarest School District	Luther Lee Emerson School
Bergen	Garfield Public School District	Washington Irving School #4
Camden	Haddonfield School District	J. Fithian Tatem School
Essex	Newark Public School District	Technology High School
Middlesex	Woodbridge Township School District	Claremont Avenue Elementary School
Monmouth	Monmouth County Vocational School District	High Technology High School
Morris	Mendham Borough School District	Hilltop School
Somerset	Bernards Township School District	Oak Street School
Charters	Princeton Charter School	Princeton Charter School

