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Mr. John Fraraccio, CAA
President, Director of Athletics Association of New Jersey
5501 Park Ave.
West New York, NJ 07093

Re: Approval of Overnight Travel Waiver for Spring 2026 DAANJ State Conference

Dear Mr. Fraraccio:

The New Jersey Department of Education has reviewed your request submitted on behalf of the Directors of Athletics Association seeking a waiver of the in-state overnight travel restriction to support the Spring 2026 DAANJ State Conference at the Hard Rock Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey, scheduled for March 9-13, 2026.

Under N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.11, and the State Department of Treasury OMB Circular 16-11, reimbursement for in-state overnight travel is generally prohibited. However, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.11(c), exceptions may be granted for events that are broad and multidisciplinary in scope, comprised of content-rich educational programming, and offer important professional development opportunities or required training. After carefully reviewing your submission, **it has been determined that the conference meets these criteria and is hereby approved.**

Waiver Approval Details:

- **Overnight lodging reimbursement** is approved for March 10, 11, and 12 **only**.
- Reimbursement is limited to attendees whose **one-way commute exceeds 50 miles**.
- **Registration fees, mileage, and meals** may be reimbursed per the OMB Circulars 20-04 and 16-11.
- Districts must ensure attendance is limited to staff whose roles align with the conference's purpose or continuing education requirements.

We appreciate DAANJ's commitment to providing professional development opportunities to those who strive to provide quality public education in New Jersey, and we wish you a successful event.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Dehmer".

Kevin Dehmer
Commissioner

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c: Senior Staff
Executive County Superintendent