

**Department of Education**  
**Performance Indicators - JULY 2011**

	Frequency	Desired Trend	Target	Prior School Year	Most Recent School Year	% Change
<b>STUDENT LEARNING &amp; ACHIEVEMENT</b>						
<b>ASSESSMENTS</b>						
<u>NJ Assessment of Skills and Knowledge (NJASK) - % of students proficient or above</u>						
8th grade math assessment	Annual	Increase			72%	
8th grade language arts literacy assessment	Annual	Increase			83%	
<u>National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) - % of students proficient or above</u>						
4th grade math (vs. national average 39%)	Annual	Increase			49%	
4th grade reading (vs. national average 31%)	Annual	Increase			40%	
8th grade math (vs. national average 32%)	Annual	Increase			44%	
8th grade reading (vs. national average 30%)	Annual	Increase			42%	
12th grade math (vs. national average 25%)	Annual	Increase			31%	
12th grade reading (vs. national average 36%)	Annual	Increase			38%	
<u>National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Achievement Gap % proficient or above</u>						
8th grade math - White	Annual	Decrease			54%	
- Black					17%	
- Hispanic					22%	
8th grade reading - White	Annual	Decrease			51%	
- Black					17%	
- Hispanic					20%	
<b>Other</b>						
Number of Advanced Placement (AP) tests taken	Annual	Increase			74,393	
Number of Advanced Placement (AP) tests scored 3 or higher	Annual	Increase			54,013	
Average statewide SAT math score	Annual	Increase			515	
Average statewide SAT verbal score	Annual	Increase			494	
High school graduation rate	Annual	Increase			93%	
% of students graduating via alternative assessments	Annual	Decrease			11%	
<b>EDUCATOR EFFECTIVENESS</b>						
<u>% of classes taught by "Highly Qualified Teachers"</u>	Annual	Maintain			100%	
Number of nationally board certified teachers	Annual	Increase			93	
% of provisional teachers recommended for standard certification	Annual	N/A			95%	

<a href="#">% of teachers entering profession through alternative pathways</a>	Annual	N/A			29%	
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**CHOICE, INNOVATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

<b>Charter Schools</b>						
Number of applications received (2011 YTD)	Semi-Annual	Increase			58	
Number of charter schools approved to open in the upcoming school year	Semi-Annual	Increase			24	
Number of charter schools	Annual	Increase			73	
Number of students enrolled	Annual	Increase			25,976	
Number of students on waitlists	Annual	N/A			12,663	
<b>Other</b>						
<a href="#">Number of students participating in inter-district choice</a>	Annual	Increase			1,067	
<a href="#">Number of students participating in a Career and Technical Education program</a>	Annual	Increase			108,266	
<a href="#">Number of students completing a Career and Technical Education program</a>	Annual	Increase			18,493	

**DISTRICT AND SCHOOL PERFORMANCE AND EFFICIENCY**

<a href="#">% of districts receiving 80% or higher on all five Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) District Performance Reviews (DPR)</a>	Annual	Increase			77%	
<a href="#">Districts "In Need of Improvement" under No Child Left Behind (NCLB)</a>	Annual	Decrease			57	
<a href="#">Number of schools "In Need of Improvement"</a>	Annual	Decrease			656	
<a href="#">Number of schools in NCLB restructuring (most severe intervention; "school in need of improvement" year 5 and above))</a>	Annual	Decrease			181	
<a href="#">% of School Improvement Grant schools that make Adequate Yearly Progress</a>	Annual	Increase			TBD	

**RESPONSIVENESS AND SERVICE**

<a href="#">Percent of completed license applications reviewed in less than 8 weeks</a>	Monthly	Maintain			100%	
<a href="#">Number of NJSMART help desk inquiries</a>	Monthly	Maintain			1,294	
<a href="#">% of NJSMART help desk contacts resolved in 24 hours</a>	Monthly	Maintain			99%	
Number of completed investigations of allegations of wrongdoing pertaining to education laws and regulations (2010 YTD)	Annual	Maintain			189	
Number of criminal history reviews completed (2010 YTD)	Annual	Maintain			65,162	
Number of state education aid audits completed (2010 YTD)	Annual	Maintain			52	
Funds recovered through audits (2010 YTD)	Annual	Maintain			\$2,320,122	

<a href="#">Visits to Department's Families website</a>	Monthly	Increase			21,724	
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<b>SCHOOL FINANCE</b>						
Total State Preschool-12 spending	Annual	N/A			\$10.619 billion	
% of State budget dedicated to Preschool-12 education	Annual	N/A			35%	
<a href="#">% of districts spending below adequacy budgets</a>	Annual	N/A			TBD	