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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Information regarding the recently released 2020-2021 New Jersey School Performance Reports are available on the NJ School Performance Reports webpage at www.njschooldata.org. The School Performance Reports reflect the New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) commitment to providing parents, students and school communities with a large variety of information about each school and district. Moreover, it seeks to give an idea of how students are being prepared for college and careers.

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has continued to have a significant impact on the way the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) was able to measure school performance and student achievement for both the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 School Performance Reports. While some data that was missing in 2019-2020 will be available again for 2020-2021 (e.g. chronic absenteeism data), other data continues to remain unavailable or look different from prior years. The expected release of the 2021-2022 NJ School Performance Reports is in the spring of 2023.

Moreover, the NJDOE also recognizes that the existing data can't begin to measure the hard work and perseverance of the students, families, educators, and community members during this difficult year.

Notes are included throughout the School Performance Reports to explain where data is missing or impacted by COVID-19 and the report [Impact of COVID-19 on Data Availability](#) is available to summarize this information.

Sincerely,

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