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Acting Education Commissioner Commends New Jersey's Schools of Character

Trenton, NJ – Acting Commissioner Angelica Allen-McMillan of the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) today applauded 16 New Jersey schools and one district for earning the Character.org “National Schools of Character” designation.

“We congratulate the 16 New Jersey schools and one district that were recognized as Schools of Character this year,” said Dr. Allen-McMillan. “I commend the educators, parents, students, and all other stakeholders in these school communities for their exceptional demonstration of character, both in and outside of the classroom.”

The 16 New Jersey schools and one district that recently received this recognition were among 48 recipients nationally. The New Jersey Schools of Character include:

- Alan B. Shepard Elementary School, Old Bridge
- Alexander Hamilton Preparatory Academy, Elizabeth
- Birchwood Elementary School, Rockaway Township
- Carl Sandburg Middle School, Old Bridge
- Caroline Reutter School, Franklin Township, Gloucester County
- Cedar Hill Elementary School, Montville Township
- Cherry Hill East High School, Cherry Hill
- Copeland Middle School, Rockaway Township
- Donald Stewart School No. 51, Elizabeth
- Hillside Elementary School, Livingston
- Joyce Kilmer Elementary School, Cherry Hill
- Katharine D. Malone Elementary School, Rockaway Township
- Leroy Gordon Cooper Elementary School, Old Bridge
- Rockaway Township Schools (a District of Character)
- Spotswood Memorial Middle School, Spotswood
- Virgil I. Grissom Elementary School, Old Bridge
- Woodmont Elementary School, Montville Township

For the past 20 years, Character.org, a nonprofit organization based in Washington, D.C., has promoted nurturing and supportive school climates by certifying schools and districts as National Schools of Character. For more information on this year's Schools of Character, contact [Character.org](#).

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