

Public Hearing Testimony Concerning The

**Department of Education**

**Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee-March 17, 2009**

[Anthony Lingo](#), Manager, Special Grants-Camden City Municipal Government, Mayor's Youth Council

[Robert Ransom](#), [Steven Phillips](#) and [Shanice Anderson](#), LEAP Academy University Charter School

[Elissa Director](#), Executive Director, Literacy Volunteers of New Jersey, Inc.

[Vanessa M. Graber](#), Director, Development and Communications, Hispanic Family Center of Southern New Jersey

[Carmen Ubarry Rivera](#), Coordinator of Parental Involvement, LEAP Academy Univ. Charter School also speaking on behalf of [Jessani Gordon](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Charter Public Schools Association

[Patrick R. Brannigan](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Catholic Conference

**Assembly Budget Committee-March 24, 2009**

[Joyce Campbell](#), Director, Community and Government Relations, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton

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[Frank Gargiulo](#) and [Judy Savage](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Council of County Vocational Technical Schools

[Lynne Strickland](#), Executive Director, Garden State Coalition of Schools

[Rev. Patricia L. Bruger](#), Executive Director, Center for United Methodist Aid to the Community/Ecumenically Concerned Helping Others, Inc. (CUMAC/ECHO, Inc.

[Mitchell Schonfeld](#), President and Chief Executive Officer of the Bergen Family Center

[Jessani Gordon](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Charter Public Schools Association

[Adele LaTourette](#), Director, New Jersey Anti-Hunger Coalition (NJABC)

[Rose Kardashian](#), Statewide Parent Advocacy Network of New Jersey (SPAN)

[Christine Ranaghan](#), Director, Educational Outreach for Recording For The Blind and Dyslexic

[Kathy Burke](#), Executive Director, Community Day Nursery

[Craig A. Stanley](#), Chair, Political Action Committee, New Jersey Conference Of NAACP Branches

[Mark Valli](#), President and Chief Executive Officer, New Jersey After 3  
[Carolyn Hayer](#), Citizen  
[Barbara Jacob](#), Director, New Jersey Association of Jewish Day Schools  
[Richard Gray](#), Assistant Executive Director, New Jersey Educational Association  
[William Madsen](#), Deputy Executive Director, Protestant Community Centers, Inc.  
and [Carl Green](#), Parent

#### **Assembly Budget Committee- March 26, 2009**

[Shelley Skinner](#), Trustee and [Steven Fulop](#), Jersey City Councilman, New Jersey Charter Public School's Association  
[Vince Giordano](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Education Association  
[Mark Valli](#), President and Chief Executive Officer, New Jersey After 3 and [Marquis Stout](#), Student, Capital Preparatory Charter High School  
[Elissa Director](#), Executive Director, Literacy Volunteers of New Jersey  
[Lynne Strickland](#), Executive Director, Garden State Coalition of Schools and [Meredith Pennotti](#), Principal/Lead Person, Red Bank Charter School and [Jessani Gordon](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Charter Public Schools Association  
[George V. Corwell](#), Director, Office of Education, New Jersey Catholic Conference  
[Erika Key](#), Parent Advocate  
[Rev. Douglas K. Batchelder](#), Association of Christian Schools International  
[William Madsen](#), Deputy Executive Director, Protestant Community Centers, Inc.  
[Lorraine Cooke](#), Vice President, Public Policy, New Jersey Association for the Education of Young Children  
[Cynthia Rice](#), Senior Policy Analyst, Association for Children of New Jersey  
[Judy Savage](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Council of County Vocational Technical Schools  
[Mark Williams](#), Managing Director, Grand Institute  
[Christine Ranaghan](#), Director, Educational Outreach, RFB&D NJ Learning Through Listening  
[Barbara Jacob](#), Director, New Jersey Association of Jewish Day Schools  
[Elizabeth Smith](#), Treasurer, Board of the Statewide Education Organizing Committee (SEOC) and Partner of Our Children Our Schools Campaign and [Carla Larsen](#), Vice President, Statewide Education Organizing Committee and Leader of the Asbury Park Parent Listening Project.  
[Jerry Cantrell](#), President, New Jersey Taxpayers Association  
[Kathleen Feigley](#), President, New Jersey Child Care Association (NJCCA)  
[Rosemary Bernardi](#), Evesham Township School Board Member  
[Michael A. Vrancik](#), Director, Governmental Relations, New Jersey School Boards Association  
[Howie Beigelman](#), Deputy Director, Orthodox Union

#### **Assembly Budget Committee- April 2, 2009**

[Robert M. Farley](#), Executive Director, Unified Vailsburg Services Organization

**Other Submitted Testimony**

[Angela Crockett Coxen](#), President, New Jersey Association of School Librarians  
[Francis E. Dolan](#), Executive Director- Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton  
[Mary T. McElroy](#), Director, New Jersey Network of Catholic School Families  
[New Jersey Coalition for Special Education Funding Reform](#)