

Public Hearing Testimony Concerning the

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**Assembly Budget Committee – March 28, 2006**

Carmen Alvarado, Parent Leader, Camden Parent Challenge Fund  
Barry Galasso, Executive Director, New Jersey Association of School Administrators  
Frank E. Hicks, Government Relations Coordinator, New Jersey Association of School Business Officials  
Rev. Reginald T. Jackson, Executive Director, Black Ministers Council of New Jersey  
Kurt R. Kaboth, Superintendent, Eastern Christian Schools  
Edward Kreider, Student  
Thomas Moore, President, Trenton Education Association  
Thomas J. Nechyba, Professor, Duke University Economics Department  
Martin Perez, President, Latino Leadership Alliance of New Jersey  
Mary Ellen Procaccini, Director, New Jersey Network of Catholic School Families  
Joyce Powell, President, New Jersey Education Association  
Rosa Ramirez, City of Camden Parent Leader, Governor Corzine's Transition Team  
Christine Ranaghan, Director, Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic  
Miriam Reichenbach, School Library Media Specialist, Pennsauken High School  
Dana Rone, School Board Liaison, Excellent Education for Everyone  
Judy Savage, Executive Director, New Jersey Council of County Vocational – Technical Schools  
David Sciarra, Executive Director, Education Law Center  
Brian D. Smith, President, Belvidere Board of Education  
Ben Spielberg, Student  
Lynn Strickland, Executive Director, Garden State Coalition of Schools  
Ron Sworen, Vice President New Jersey Conference of Mayors  
Dr. Elaine M. Tryjankowski, Executive Director, Governor's School of New Jersey  
Barbara A. Trzszkowski, Superintendent of Schools, Keansburg Board of Education  
Michael A. Vrancik, Director of Governmental Relations, New Jersey School Boards Association  
Anni Weisband, Student

**Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee – April 3, 2006**

Janice Bihler, Parent of student at Teaneck, speaking about the Governor's School  
Dr. Lorraine Cooke, Public Policy Chair, New Jersey Association for the Education of Young Children  
Vincent J. Frantantoni, member, United Taxpayers of New Jersey  
John Galandak, President, Commerce and Industry Association of New Jersey  
Jennie Hill, Parent leader and Parishioner, Jerusalem Baptist Church  
Rev. Reginald T. Jackson, Executive Director, Black Ministers Council of New Jersey  
Baty Jacob, Associate Director, New Jersey Association of Jewish Day Schools  
Kurt R. Kaboth, Superintendent, Eastern Christian School Association  
Steve Karp, Executive Director, Jewish Educational Center  
Mary McElroy, Archdiocesan Director, New Jersey Network of Catholic School Families  
Christine Ranaghan, Director, Education Outreach, Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic, New Jersey Unit

**Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee - Department of Education - April 3, 2006**  
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[Dana Rone](#), Public Housing and Educational Advocate, Newark Public-School Advisory Board Member, Newark Public Schools  
[Judy Savage](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Council of County Vocational Technical Schools  
[Brian Smith](#), President, Belvidere Board of Education  
[Richard Snyder](#), Board of Education trustee, Dollars and Sense  
[Irene L Sterling](#), Executive Director, Paterson Education Fund  
[Nancy Stern](#), President, Fort Lee Board of Education  
[Lynn Strickland](#), Executive Director, Garden State Coalition of Schools  
[Sue Williamson](#), Chairperson, New Jersey Child Care Advisory Council  
[Cecilia Zalkind](#), Executive Director and [Sheldon Presser](#), Senior Policy Analyst, Association for Children of New Jersey

**Assembly Budget Committee – April 4, 2006**

[Creighton Drury](#), Vice President, New Jersey Community Development Corporation  
[Evelyn Falardeau](#), representing Mercer County Human Services Advisory Council Child Care Planning Committee  
[Robert Nass](#), Assistant Executive Director, Devereux, New Jersey Treatment Network  
[Daniel Santo Pietro](#), Executive Director, Hispanic Director Association of New Jersey  
[Marilyn Scanlon](#), Parent speaking on behalf of New Jersey Center for Outreach and Services for the Autism Community  
[Suzanne Williamson](#), Chair, New Jersey Child Care Advisory Council

**Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee – April 5, 2006**

[Carmen Alvarado](#), Parent Leader, Camden Parent Challenge Fund  
[Reverend Douglas Batchelder](#), Government Liaison, Association of Christian Schools International  
[Stuart Chaifetz](#), Director, Animal Protection PAC  
[Elissa Director](#), Executive Director, Literacy Volunteers of New Jersey, Inc.  
[Edward Kreider](#), student, speaking in support of the Governor's School  
[Mary Moyer](#), President-Elect, New Jersey Association of School Librarians  
[Martin Perez](#), President, Latino Leadership Alliance of New Jersey  
[Joyce Powell](#), President, New Jersey Education Association  
[Mary Ellen Procaccini](#), New Jersey School Choice Alliance  
[Dr. Lawrence A. Ragone](#), President and Chief Operating Officer, Camden Eye Center  
[Rosa Ramirez](#), City of Camden Parent Leader, Governor Corzine's Transition Team  
[Daniel Santo Pietro](#), Executive Director, Hispanic Directors Association of New Jersey  
[Marilyn Scanlon](#), Parent speaking on behalf of New Jersey Center for Outreach and Services for the Autism Community  
[Ben Spielberg](#), student, speaking in support of the Governor's School  
[Dr. Mary Stansky](#), Superintendent, and James Devereaux, Business Administrator, Gloucester City Public Schools  
[Dr. Elaine M. Tryjankowski](#), Executive Director, Governor's School of New Jersey  
[Michael Vrancik](#), Director of Governmental Relations, New Jersey School Boards Association  
[Anni Weisband](#), student, speaking in support of the Governor's School

**Assembly Budget Committee – Department of Education - April 11, 2006**

[Elissa Director](#), Executive Director, Literacy Volunteers of New Jersey, Inc.  
[John Galandak](#), President, Commerce and Industry Association of New Jersey  
[Tim O'Halloran](#), President, New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association  
[Mary Jo Kapalko](#), President, New Jersey Charter Public Schools Association  
[Raymond Ocasio](#), Executive Director, La Casa De Don Pedro

**Mailed in Testimony**

[Hector Bonilla](#), Member, Latino Leadership Alliance of New Jersey  
[Sheila Brogan](#), Member Ridgewood Board of Education  
[Frank Palatucci](#), Recording Secretary, New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association