

New Jersey Legislature
Assembly Budget Committee Public Hearing
Fiscal Year 2010 State Budget
State House Annex, Committee Room 11
Trenton, New Jersey
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Speaker listing in order of appearance:

1. [Honorable Gary J. Passanante](#), Mayor of Somerdale and Member of the New Jersey League of Municipalities
2. [Honorable John Arvanites](#), Mayor, Borough of Roseland and Councilman [David Jacobs](#)
3. [Dr. Peter P. Mercer](#), President and [Thomas Ng](#), Student Trustee, Ramapo College
4. [Shelley Skinner](#), Trustee and [Steven Fulop](#), Jersey City Councilman, New Jersey Charter Public School's Association
5. Donna Jackson, United Parent Network (no testimony submitted)
6. [Vince Giordano](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Education Association
7. [Mark Valli](#), President and Chief Executive Officer, New Jersey After 3 and [Marquis Stout](#), Student, Capital Preparatory Charter High School
8. [Eva Bonime](#), Coordinator, Better Choices Budget Campaign
9. [Michael Peters](#), Vice President of Legal and Governmental Affairs, College of New Jersey Student Government Association
10. [Elissa Director](#), Executive Director, Literacy Volunteers of New Jersey
11. [Deborah Dowdell](#), Vice President, New Jersey Restaurant Association and [David Gray](#), Executive Director, New Brunswick Cultural Center, Inc.
12. [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
13. [George V. Corwell](#), Director, Office of Education, New Jersey Catholic Conference
14. [Erika Key](#), Parent Advocate
15. [Rev. Douglas K. Batchelder](#), Association of Christian Schools International
16. [William Madsen](#), Deputy Executive Director, Protestant Community Centers, Inc.
17. [Lorraine Cooke](#), Vice President, Public Policy, New Jersey Association for the Education of Young Children
18. [Cynthia Rice](#), Senior Policy Analyst, Association for Children of New Jersey
19. [Jessica A. Pepe](#), President, Student Government Association, William Paterson University
20. [Patricia A. Tumulty](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Library Association
21. Carl Bergmanson, Borough of Glen Ridge (no testimony submitted)

22. [Judy Savage](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Council of County Vocational Technical Schools
23. [Anita Thurakal](#), President of the UMDNJ New Jersey Medical School Student Council and [Nakul Raykar](#), Vice President and [Raymond Malpero](#), Representative, New Jersey Medical School Student Council (UMDNJ)
24. [Taneisha Nash Laird](#), Citizen
25. [Steve Young](#), AFT New Jersey
26. [Charis Chambers](#), NJ STARS Club President, Ocean County College
27. [Mark Williams](#), Managing Director, Grand Institute
28. [Christine Ranaghan](#), Director, Educational Outreach, RFB&D NJ Learning Through Listening
29. [Liza M. Kirschenbaum, Esq.](#), Associate Director, Court Appointed Special Advocates of New Jersey, Inc.
30. [Elizabeth Jeffrey](#), Vice President, Planning and Capital Projects, Save Ellis Island, Inc.
31. [Barbara Jacob](#), Director, New Jersey Association of Jewish Day Schools
32. [Adele LaTourette](#), Director, New Jersey Anti Hunger Coalition
33. [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.
34. [Jerry Cantrell](#), President, New Jersey Taxpayers Association
35. [Kathleen Feigley](#), President, New Jersey Child Care Association (NJCCA)
36. [Rosemary Bernardi](#), Evesham Township School Board Member
37. [Michael A. Vrancik](#), Director, Governmental Relations, New Jersey School Boards Association
38. [Paul A. Harris, Jr.](#), Citizen
39. [Howie Beigelman](#), Deputy Director, Orthodox Union
40. [Rich Widmann](#), Lobbying and Advocacy Chair of the Student Government Association, College of New Jersey
41. [Linda Caldwell Epps](#), President and Chief Executive Officer, The New Jersey Historical Society
42. [Jacob Toporek](#), Executive Director, New Jersey State Association of Jewish Federations (no testimony submitted)
43. [Alan Kaufman](#), Representing Higher Ed Committee for NJEA