



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

*Proclamation*

WHEREAS, New Jersey's public schools serve nearly 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade; and

WHEREAS, nearly 5,000 local board of education members in New Jersey devote countless hours, without remuneration, to the oversight of school district operations, including finances, policy, curriculum and staffing; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's local boards of education endeavor to meet the challenges facing public schools and to help students attain the education necessary to excel in college and in the workplace and to enable them to compete in a global economy; and

WHEREAS, local boards of education have contributed to New Jersey being among the leading states in measures of academic quality, such as National Assessment of Educational Progress scores, and the preparation for college through Advanced Placement offerings and SAT assessments; and

WHEREAS, the National School Boards Association and the New Jersey School Boards Association have declared January 2017 to be School Board Recognition Month; and

WHEREAS, by making meaningful contributions to public education, the dedicated members of local school boards have greatly enhanced the quality of life in our State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

**JANUARY 2017**  
**AS**  
**SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH**

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this sixth day of January in the year two thousand seventeen, the two hundred forty-first year of the Independence of the United States.

*Kim Guadagno*  
Lt. GOVERNOR

*Chris Christie*  
GOVERNOR