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## Oradell Public School District

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RE. QSAC Monitoring Equivalency Waiver:

The Oradell School District is proud to announce that it has been designated as a high-performing school district by the New Jersey Department of Education. This designation qualifies the District for a Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) monitoring waiver. Once every three years, public school districts are required to be monitored in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:30-3.1 (a)-(d) and 3.2 by the New Jersey Department of Education. Districts undergo a comprehensive monitoring that entails district performance reviews (DPRs) related to program and instruction, fiscal management, governance, personnel, and operations. The monitoring process includes a self-evaluation of the school district by a district committee. School districts must achieve a minimum of 80% in each DPR to pass QSAC monitoring and to be designated as a high-performing school district.

Our school district began the monitoring process earlier this year. We achieved 90% or higher in each DPR and earned the designation of high-performing school district. We are next scheduled to be monitored during the 2020 – 2021 school year. However, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJ-DOE) established an equivalent process that allows high-performing school districts to demonstrate continued compliance with QSAC regulations without undergoing the standard monitoring. This equivalent process involved review by the NJ-DOE of the Oradell School District's 2017-2018 QSAC Statement of Assurance and analysis of other critical QSAC indicators in each of the five mandated District Performance Review (DPR) areas. Oradell has successfully met these requirements and was recently notified by NJ-DOE of the School District's eligibility to apply for the QSAC Equivalency Waiver. This equivalency waiver will provide our school district with a three-year extension prior to the next comprehensive monitoring. At the regularly scheduled meeting of January 24, 2018, and upon recommendation by Superintendent John C. Anzul, the Oradell Board of Education approved the application for the QSAC Equivalency Waiver. The application will be submitted to the Executive County Superintendent to extend the District's QSAC certification as a high-performing district for an additional three years through the 2020-2021 school year. An explanation of QSAC metrics used to determine the district's eligibility for equivalency will be made available on our website. Individuals who have questions about the District's QSAC process or the equivalency application, are welcome to contact the superintendent of schools at anzulj@oradellschool.org.