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GOVERNOR MURPHY ANNOUNCES OPENING OF FOUR NEW OR RENOVATED SCHOOLS THIS SEPTEMBER

Nearly 2,500 Students to Benefit from School Openings

TRENTON - As many students return to school this week, Governor Phil Murphy applauds the efforts of the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (NJSDA) to provide New Jersey's schoolchildren with access to safe, secure and modern learning centers. The NJSDA is opening four new or renovated schools this year that will provide more than 2,000 additional seats for students throughout New Jersey and impact nearly 2,500 students overall.

"There is no more important investment that we can make than in the education of our youth," **Governor Phil Murphy said**. "The opening of these schools helps to fulfill our responsibility to ensure New Jersey students have the classroom spaces they need to prepare them for a bright future. We will continue to make New Jersey stronger and fairer by expanding our educational infrastructure where needed."

The four completed school projects represent a State investment of \$198 million. The schools are Garfield James Madison Elementary School, New Brunswick Paul Robeson Community Theme School for the Arts, Newark South Street Elementary School, and Vineland Lincoln Avenue Middle School.

"It is gratifying to know that thousands of students in Districts throughout the State will have access to enhanced educational resources this September," **said SDA CEO Lizette Delgado Polanco**. "The SDA is steadfast in our mission to impact the lives of New Jersey students and their surrounding communities through the delivery of innovative and improved educational facilities."

The new schools/addition were designed incorporating the guidelines developed by the United States Green Building Council (USGBC) known as the "Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design ("LEED®") program in order to achieve maximum energy efficiency and environmental sustainability in the design of schools.

NJSDA 2018 School Openings						
District	School Name	Project Type	Square Footage	New Seats	Max Capacity	Total Cost
Garfield	James Madison E.S.	New School	53,000	305	305	\$29.7M
New Brunswick	Robeson E.S.	Addition/Renovation	60,500	424	893	\$48.5M
Newark	South Street E.S.	New School	103,000	657	657	\$69.9M
Vineland	Lincoln Avenue M.S.	New School	99,000	624	624	\$49.8M

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