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Governor Discusses School Violence Prevention in Newark; Highlights Efforts for Urban Revitalization

Governor Christie Whitman tomorrow will highlight the need to get students involved in the effort to prevent violence in New Jersey's schools and neighborhoods. The Governor will discuss the state's new V-Free initiative at the Essex County Technical Careers Center.

The Governor will then distribute anti-drug schoolbook covers to second graders at the Ann Street School in Newark as part of the Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey's annual book cover initiative. More than 300,000 book covers have been distributed since 1994.

Later in the day, she will kickoff the Urban Summit, a series of conferences called for by the Governor in her FY 2000 Budget Address, that will focus on issues facing New Jersey's urban centers.

