

State of New Jersey

Governor Phil Murphy

Governor Murphy Directs the Lowering of U.S. and New Jersey Flags in Honor of Principal Derrick Nelson of Westfield High School

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TRENTON - Today, Governor Murphy signed Executive Order No. 64, ordering U.S. and New Jersey flags to fly at half-staff to honor the life of Dr. Derrick Nelson, the principal of Westfield High School, on Monday, April 15, 2019.

"Dr. Derrick Nelson represented the best of our state and our country," **said Governor Murphy**. "He spent over 20 years in the United States Army, including time in the Middle East. He did all of this while serving the children of Plainfield, Orange, and Westfield, as a teacher, an assistant principal, and eventually as a principal. Tragically, Dr. Nelson died donating bone marrow to someone in need. We are better for having known him, even for the short amount of time he was with us. Tammy and I send our condolences to the Nelson family and his loved ones during this difficult time."

Copy of Executive Order #64 (<https://www.nj.gov/infobank/eo/056murphy/pdf/EO-64.pdf>)

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