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Dr. Joseph Cirillo, Superintendent
Palisades Park School District
420 Second Street
Palisades Park, NJ 07650

Dear Dr. Cirillo,

In August 2017, the Department issued an evaluation of the Palisades Park School District pursuant to the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:30, the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC). At that time, the district was placed on a continuum in each of the performance evaluation areas in the district performance review (DPR): Instruction and Program, Fiscal Management, Governance, Operations and Personnel.

Following the initial evaluation, the district developed an improvement plan to address the noncompliant indicators in the area of Instruction and Program; the plan was approved on November 30, 2017. Staff from the Bergen County Office of Education conducted an interim review of the district's progress in the area of Instruction and Program. Listed below are the initial placement and interim review placement scores for your district:

NJQSAC Areas	Initial Review Placement (8/2017)	Interim Review Placement (3/2019)
Instruction and Program	78%	80%
Fiscal Management	86%	86%
Governance	100%	100%
Operations	100%	100%
Personnel	100%	100%

These placement results will be provided to the State Board of Education at an upcoming meeting. Please be advised that NJQSAC regulations require your board of education to report these placement results at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

I am pleased to inform you that your district has satisfied at least 80% of the weighted indicators in each of the five areas of the NJQSAC review process and has been designated as "high performing." Commissioner Repollet will recommend to the State Board of Education that your district be certified as providing a thorough and efficient system of education, for a period of three years or until the next NJQSAC review. Congratulations on this accomplishment.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:30-4.1, if you believe that any indicators were scored incorrectly, you have seven days from the receipt of this letter to submit a written reconsideration request. Email your request to qsac@doe.nj.gov. We look forward to working with you in your improvement efforts.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Bumpus
Assistant Commissioner
Division of Field Services

RLB:CS; palisades/interim review
Enclosures

c: Joseph Zarra, Bergen Executive County Superintendent