

## OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

January 3, 2012

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Over 20 years ago former New Jersey Governor, Thomas Kean, felt that our best teachers deserved to be honored and initiated the Governor's Teacher Recognition Award. Each year a committee selects one tenured teacher in each school for this recognition. These teachers have distinguished themselves in terms of teaching skill, creativity, and dedication to their profession and to the school district and the children of the community. Teachers are nominated for this award by their colleagues and community members. The committee reviews all the nominations and makes a selection. The teachers selected are honored in May at a ceremony that includes all recipients from each of the schools in the county.

Please consider writing a letter nominating one of our tenured faculty who you believe has the characteristics described above. In the letter, state the person's name and some specific reasons why you are nominating this person. Place the letter in an envelope marked Dr. Strauss - Teacher Recognition Award and forward to your school office by Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you

Sincerely,

Gayle Strauss, Ph.D.  
Superintendent