TO: Chief School Administrators
Charter School Lead Persons

FROM: Marie Barry, Director
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SUBJECT: Career Ready Practices Educator Consortium

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) invites public school districts and charter schools to nominate participants for the Career Ready Practices Educator Consortium. The charge of this consortium is to create grade-level and subject-area resources to assist schools with implementing the Career Ready Practices for grades K-12. Selected participants will attend one half-day planning session in January 2015, and each subsequent month will involve one virtual work session. The project is expected to be completed in June 2015.

The NJDOE requests elementary, middle, and secondary school administrators to identify exemplary teachers, subject-area specialists, school counselors, and principals who have been educators for at least five years. Exemplary educators should exhibit strong knowledge and skills, an inspiring presence, and a clear vision for quality teaching and learning that has a positive impact on students, colleagues, and the school community.

Each district may recommend up to three educators. All recommendations must be submitted via https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CRPEC by 4 p.m. on Friday, November 14, 2014. Districts will be notified of selected candidates by December 5, 2014.

As you may be aware, the Career Ready Practices were adopted by the NJ State Board of Education earlier this month as part of NJ Core Curriculum Standard 9, 21st Century Life and Careers. They reflect the skills that all students need to develop and practice to be career ready, and should be taught in all grade levels and reinforced in career exploration and preparation programs with increasingly higher levels of complexity as students progress into advanced grades. The Career Ready Practices can be found on the department’s website at http://www.nj.gov/education/aps/cccs/career/CareerReadyPractices.pdf.
If you have any questions, please contact David McNair or Melissa Stager, Office of Career and Technical Education at (609) 633-0665 or via email at standard9@doe.state.nj.us.

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