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Dear Bayonne School District & Family,

The Bayonne Board of Education's 24th Annual Academic Challenge took place on Thursday, March 9th at Horace Mann Community School. Teams of eighth grade students took a 110 question curriculum related test that spanned nine academic areas. I was thrilled with the number of schools that won awards at the competition, and how the Academic Challenge truly showcases "the high performing academic ability in all of Bayonne's elementary schools".

This year's winners are as follows:

Team Competition

- 1st Place - Nicholas Oresko Community School - Coach Gina Nowak
- 2nd Place - Horace Mann Community School - Coach Francine Vida
- 3rd Place - Woodrow Wilson Community School - Coach Larissa Drennan
- 4th Place - Dr. Walter F. Robinson Community School - Coach John Hall
- 5th Place - Philip G. Vroom Community School - Coach Linda Detto; Midtown Community School - Coach Robert Tonnesen; Washington Community School - Coach Matthew Ruttler

Individual Competition

- 1st Place - Tashua Guysta - Nicholas Oresko Community School; Patryk Swierbinski - Nicholas Oresko Community School
- 2nd Place - Gina Rivas - Woodrow Wilson Community School
- 3rd Place - Mina Botros - Philip G. Vroom Community School; Emilie Puja - Midtown Community School

Subject Areas

- English /Language Arts** - Woodrow Wilson Community School - Coach Drennan
- Mathematics** - Nicholas Oresko Community School - Coach Nowak; Washington Community School - Coach Ruttler
- Science** - Nicholas Oresko Community School - Coach Nowak; Horace Mann Community School - Coach Vida; Mary J. Donohoe Community School - Coach Stephanie Nichols
- Social Studies** - Horace Mann Community School - Coach Vida; Philip G. Vroom Community School - Coach Detto; John M. Bailey Community School - Coach Helen Zebrowski
- Special Subjects** - Woodrow Wilson Community School - Coach Drennan

I would like to personally thank Midtown Community School teacher and Academic Challenge district coordinator Denise Leonard. This year's Academic Challenge was a tremendous success thanks to the Bayonne Rotary Club, the Bayonne Board of Education, Dr. Catherine Quinn and the Horace Mann Community School faculty. The citizens of Bayonne should be proud to have such talented young adults as part of our community. The 25th Annual Academic Challenge will take place in spring 2018 and promises to be just as exciting!

Reminder: The Saint Patrick's Day Parade kicks-off on Sunday, March 19, 2017 at 1:00. I look forward to seeing you all on the parade route!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patricia L. McGeehan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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