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TEANECK PUBLIC SCHOOLS RECEIVES PRESCHOOL EDUCATION EXPANSION GRANT APPROVAL

\$1.2 Million Grant Enables District to Offer Full Day Program to More Students

TEANECK, NJ, [October 1, 2018] – The New Jersey Department of Education, Division of Early Childhood Education, today notified Teaneck Public Schools that the district's Preschool Education Expansion Aid (PEEA) application has been approved for \$1,222,800 contingent upon receipt of a certified Board Resolution. The district will use this funding to serve an additional 78 full day general education preschool children and 24 half-day general education preschool children beginning in January 2019.

Dr. Christopher Irving, Teaneck's Superintendent of Schools, commented, "Early childhood education is a crucial first step towards ensuring a child's overall success throughout his or her educational career. This grant will support our comprehensive approach in improving student achievement while helping our students become lifelong learners. I want to thank Dr. Lamont Repollet, NJ Commissioner of Education and NJ Governor Philip Murphy for selecting Teaneck as one of the school districts to receive this critical educational grant. I also want to thank our Board of Education and the members of our district staff who worked tirelessly on the PEAA grant application."

Teaneck Public Schools currently has 10 preschool classrooms, seven (7) half-day special education and general education, and three (3) preschool disabled classes. Beginning in January of 2019, with the addition of the PEEA, the district preschool program will increase to twelve preschool classrooms, including seven (7) full-day classrooms and two (2) additional full-day classrooms with a contracted community provider.

The school district will take a proactive approach with enrollment, recruitment, and outreach. More information on how to register your 3- or 4 year old child will be forthcoming.

About Teaneck Public Schools

The Teaneck Public School District is a comprehensive school system committed to providing all students with the finest instruction possible. The school district provides an array of programs to meet every need and every learning style.