

SUPERINTENDENT'S BLOG

ROCKAWAY BOROUGH SCHOOLS--JANUARY 4, 2019



**CONGRATULATIONS
TO THIS YEAR'S
GEOY RECIPIENTS**



ROCKAWAY BOROUGH RECOGNIZES EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Rockaway Borough is very proud to announce this year's Governor's Educator of the Year (GEOY) recipients and nominees from both Lincoln Elementary School and Thomas Jefferson Middle School. The GEOY program sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Education recognizes educators across the state and encourages them to become champions of education and advocates for students and teachers at the county, state and national level. By honoring teachers and educational-services professionals, Rockaway Borough hopes to promote a culture that recognizes excellence, creates a sense of pride and brings public attention to the work of the outstanding educators who serve our district. This is the fifth year that Rockaway Borough is participating in this very worthwhile program.

This year's recipients and nominees represent a large cross-section of our classroom teachers and educational services professionals (ESP) that were nominated by their colleagues as well as parents and community members. At Lincoln, congratulations go out to Teacher of the Year recipient Dodi Yobs from our first grade team and ESP recipient Nicole McCarter who serves as the school's Basic Skills teacher. They are joined by fellow nominees Courtney Hartnett, Mary Leslie and Maryann Medore. At Thomas Jefferson, we applaud special education teacher Antonia Zangara as the Teacher of the Year recipient and paraprofessional Jean Swanick as the designated ESP recipient. Other nominees at Thomas Jefferson include Christine Capen, Teddy Love, Laurie McGill and Jackie Rial. All nominees and recipients will be honored and recognized at the upcoming January 29th Board of Education meeting. Please join us to celebrate these outstanding and dedicated members of our Rockaway Borough family.