

## **Hunterdon Freeholders Recognize Parental Choice During School Choice Week**

Hunterdon County's Freeholder Board, at the January 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, recognized the many educational options for school children and their parents by designating the week of January 26 to February 1, 2020 as School Choice Week in Hunterdon County, as part of the National School Choice Week program.

Freeholder Board Director Shaun C. Van Doren stated, "Quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of the County and we are fortunate that Hunterdon County is home to many high-quality public and nonpublic schools from which parents can choose for their children, in addition to families who choose to educate their children in the home.

Van Doren added, "Education plays a significant role in preparing students to be successful adults and school choice serves the educational principles of Hunterdon County families. It gives parents the power to make choices for their children, based on their values, beliefs, needs, interests and learning styles.

One of the key factors in making school choice a viable option in Hunterdon County is the exceptional teaching professionals, in all types of school settings, who are committed to educating our children."

National School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options.

Started in 2011, National School Choice Week has grown into the world's largest celebration of opportunity in education. The Week is a nonpartisan, nonpolitical public awareness effort.

For more information on school choice in New Jersey go to  
<https://www.state.nj.us/education/choice/>

For information on School Choice Districts in Hunterdon County go to  
<https://www.state.nj.us/education/choice/districts/districts.pdf>