



Admiral
William F. Halsey, Jr.
**Health &
Public Safety**
Academy

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Dear Admiral William F. Halsey, Jr. Health and Public Safety Academy Community,

The Governor's Educator of the Year Program highlights educational innovation, student achievement, exemplary teaching, and important services outside the classroom environment that lead to student success. This celebratory program recognizes our state's best teachers and educational services professionals who will be recognized at the Union County Office of Education.

We are proud to announce that the 2018 Governor's Teacher of the Year for Adm. William F. Halsey, Jr. Health and Public Safety Academy was awarded to Ms. Eileen Mulroy. Mrs. Mulroy decided what to study in college in tenth grade after seeing the nurse's impact on how her mother felt each day as she recovered from extensive surgery in the Intensive Care Unit. While her mom improved some days and struggled other days, the nurses never faltered in providing her care and encouragement.

After becoming a nurse and returning to NJ, she heard about the Health Occupations program at Thomas A. Edison Career and Technical Academy. The program was expanding to include the NJ Department of Health Certification Program for Nursing Assistants in Long Term Care Facilities. With a master's degree in geriatric nursing, she thought she would be an excellent candidate to share her experience and knowledge with future caregivers. After 35 years of the program, including a major move to Halsey and updated facilities, hundreds have graduated as Certified Nursing Assistants and have been employed at hospitals and nursing homes. Knowing former students sought education and careers in healthcare is a source of pride and accomplishment for Mrs. Mulroy.

This year's Educational Service Provider of the Year for Adm. William F. Halsey, Jr. Health and Public Safety Academy was awarded to Mr. Adrian Ricardo Bennett. When he was in high school, Mr. Bennett was inspired to pursue a career in guidance by watching the unsolicited dedication of his own guidance counselor. He gives her an extreme amount of credit for his life and career success and maintains the career goal of helping children achieve success the way that she helped him.

Through his vast professional experiences as a literacy tutor and supervisor through the America Reads Program at Rutgers University, a permanent substitute teacher, a physical education teacher, and several roles at the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency among others, Mr. Bennett developed his ability to work compassionately, empathically, and cooperatively with students, teachers, administrators, and parents. Those traits have served him well in serving the families of our learning community as a school counselor.

Please join us in celebrating these two amazing professionals for the work they have done, and continue to do, for our school community and district.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Roszkowski