

John E. Dwyer Technology Academy

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Dear John E. Dwyer Technology 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 2019 Governor's Teacher of the Year for John E. Dwyer Technology Academy was awarded to Ms. Elizabeth Velasco. As an advocate of teaching and learning at JEDTA, Ms. Velasco has proudly taught Bilingual Mathematics for the past seven years. Her passion for teaching and compassion and love for her students is unsurpassed. She works collaboratively with her colleagues and serves as mentor to new teachers and providers them with support and guidance. She is highly regarded by all and is a tremendous asset to Dwyer Technology Academy and to the Elizabeth Public Schools community.

This year's Educational Service Provider of the Year for John E. Dwyer Technology Academy was awarded to Ms. Aimee Saluccio. Ms. Saluccio has been a guidance counselor for the past seven years. As a member of the Instruction Leadership Team, Ms. Saluccio works collaboratively with staff and administration. As the National Honor Society advisor, Ms. Saluccio provides leadership guidance, community service opportunities, and mentors students. Ms. Saluccio is also the AVID Site Team Coordinator. She has been instrumental in Dwyer Technology Academy becoming an AVID Schoolwide Site of Distinction and AVID Demonstrational School. Ms. Saluccio has an unparalleled level of expertise and is a tremendous asset to the Dwyer Technology Academy and Elizabeth Public Schools communities.

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,

Sulisnet Jimenez