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Dear School No. 25 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 School No. 25 was awarded to Ms. Addie Latza. Ms. Latza is a dedicated, passionate, and enthusiastic educator with 20 years of experience of providing a stimulating and challenging learning environment. She has mastered the use of effective teaching methodologies while focusing on the individual needs of each student. Ms. Latza promotes hands-on learning experiences to increase student engagement and encourages her students to make real-world connections to help them better understand the concepts being taught. Collaborating with colleagues and parents, she creates a positive environment that supports the ability for all students to succeed. She shares her own life experiences with her students and inspires them to set goals for themselves and teaches them that if they work hard they will be successful in their lives.

This year's Educational Service Provider of the Year for School No. 25 was awarded to Ms. Mary Ann Davies. Ms. Davies is a hard-working and caring school librarian with 43 years of experience in education, of which 15 years has been spent as a school librarian. As a librarian, Ms. Davies focuses on sharing her love of reading with her students and encourages them to use reading as a both an educational tool and a way to experience new things. She dedicates the time to get to know her students and selects books that she knows will keep them engaged as well as provide them with unique learning opportunities. Ms. Davies does an exceptional job of engaging young learners and, through her lessons, takes them on adventures that they will never forget.

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,

Christina Silveira Francisco

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