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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Clifton Public School District Strategic Planning Meetings**

The Clifton Public School District Board of Education will be holding a series of strategic planning meetings in February and March to give all district stakeholders a chance to contribute to a "roadmap" for the future success for all of Clifton's students. The new Strategic Plan shall guide the direction and goals of the district for the next five years.

Parents, community members, staff, municipal leaders, and members of civic groups are all cordially invited to attend one, any, or all three meetings, which will take place at Clifton High School, 333 Colfax Avenue, Clifton, NJ 07013. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 19, from 6:00 pm.

The Board of Education is eager to begin the process. "Having a Strategic Plan will be critical for driving the district forward," says Dr. Danny Robertozzi, Superintendent of Schools. "This process will be particularly meaningful and rewarding because all of our stakeholders will be building a common vision together."

Dr. Robertozzi will present a synopsis of the State of the District to open February 19 meeting. The Clifton Public School District's strengths and challenges will be discussed and delineated by the participants in a small-group format. Going forward, participants will have the opportunity to share and develop their aspirations and ideas to help set the district's long-term goals. Dr. Robertozzi explains, "We have an opportunity, together as a school community, to build a success-oriented learning environment and give our children an advantage that lasts a lifetime. We cannot settle for the status quo. Therefore, we must always push the boundaries and search for continuous improvement in our schools. A community committed to its schools prepares its children for success in a changing world."

Clifton Board of Education President, Lucy Danny states, "We value contributions from every member of our Clifton community. We, as stakeholders, will be the champions for our children and

their future success if we work collectively as a team through this invaluable and exciting strategic planning process."

Meetings two and three are set for March 2 and March 25 at 6:00 pm at Clifton High School. Participants are encouraged to attend all or any of the three meetings and to "attend with a friend".

The New Jersey School Boards Association will facilitate the strategic planning process. More details about the process can be found on the district's website, http://www.clifton.k12.nj.us/ or by calling 973-470-2260.

All members of the community are welcome to attend.