



**DR. LAURA C. MORANA, ACTING CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
TO BE KEYNOTE SPEAKER
AT PLAINFIELD GRADUATIONS**

On Monday, June 19, 2017

Hub Stine Sports Complex, 1410 Randolph Rd., Plainfield, NJ



Plainfield, NJ - (June 12, 2017) – Dr. Laura C. Morana, Acting Chief Academic Officer for the New Jersey Department of Education, will be the keynote speaker at Plainfield Public Schools’ Graduation for the Class of 2017, on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 6:00 pm. The commencement ceremonies will be at Hub Stine Sports Complex, 1410 Randolph Road, Plainfield, N.J. Plainfield Public Schools Graduation Class will include over 460 graduates from Barack Obama Academy

for the Academic & Civic Development (BOACD), Plainfield Academy for the Arts & Advanced Studies (PAAAS) and Plainfield High School (PHS).

Dr. Morana joined the New Jersey Department of Education in 2013 having previously served in the Mercer and Middlesex Counties Boards of Education as interim Superintendent. Prior to that, she was Superintendent of Schools in Red Bank, Monmouth County and as Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Assessment and Professional Development for Pre K-12, in Piscataway, in Middlesex County.

Dr. Morana began her career in education in Elizabeth as a K-5 Bilingual/English as a Second Language Teacher.

She is a graduate of Kean University with a Bachelor's and Master's degrees and earned her doctoral degree at Rowan University. Among her any accolades she received the NJTESOL/NJBE President's Award, the Annual Women of Achievement Award and the Advocates for Children of NJ Community Partners Award among many others.

Dr. Morana enjoys reading and she is proud of her daughter's passion for teaching English Language Arts to middle school students.

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