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Statement on Governor Murphy's FY2023 Proposed Budget

NEW JERSEY - The following is a statement from the New Jersey Public Charter Schools Association:

"The New Jersey Public Charter Schools Association applauds Governor Murphy's FY2023 budget which demonstrates a strong commitment to fully funding New Jersey's public schools, including public charter schools. The additional \$650 million in K-12 aid will allow districts and schools to meet the challenges of school operations during a difficult time in public education. We are also grateful for the inclusion of \$5 million in emergent charter and renaissance facilities aid to ensure that all schools can remain safe for students and staff. We look forward to continuing to work with the Murphy Administration to ensure that all students have access to great public schools regardless of where they live."

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About Public Charter Schools

Charter schools are tuition-free public schools run by non-profit organizations open to all students regardless of zip code, race/ethnicity or ability level. Charter schools operate with more flexibility than traditional public schools in exchange for increased accountability and high financial, academic and managerial standards by an authorizer. A "charter" is a contract with an authorizer detailing the school's mission, program, performance goals and methods of assessments. In New Jersey, the New Jersey Department of Education serves as the sole authorizer and oversees all public charter schools in the state.

About New Jersey Public Charter Schools Association

The New Jersey Public Charter Schools Association (NJPCSA) is the non-profit membership association that represents the state's charter school community and, by extension, charter school students and their parents. There are currently 87 charter schools in New Jersey serving approximately 60,000 students. We are committed to advancing quality public education for New Jersey's children through the cultivation of excellent public charter schools.