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November 15, 2017

Diane Lahullier, President
Carlstadt Board of Education
550 Washington Street
Carlstadt, NJ 07072

Dear Ms. Lahullier,

On November 6, the Bergen County Office of Education had a great day. All fourteen staff members piled into cars and drove over to Carlstadt Public School to spend the morning visiting classrooms and conversing with students. What a wonderful, joyful place!

As we toured the building, escorted by the most charming, bright and optimistic student ambassadors, we saw vibrant classes of busy, engaged learners. We saw top-flight technology and exciting opportunities for students (that TV studio!). We saw thoughtful and creative teachers guiding students through complex problems with humor and patience.

We saw lockers dotted with post-it notes with inspirational quotes and affirmations. When we asked our student guide about them, she replied, "Oh, our teachers make those for us. They do it to encourage us and let us know that we are loved." WOW.

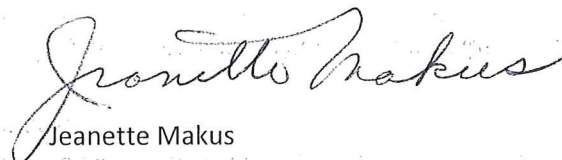
As a district, you are very, very lucky to have Mr. Kollinok and his team. Thanks to innovative leadership, lion-hearted teachers, and robust Board support, Carlstadt Public School is a thriving, nurturing learning environment and we are thrilled for your students and your community.

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for sharing your gem of a school!

Very truly yours,



Joseph Zarra
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