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**School Regionalization in New Jersey: Issues, Opportunities and Challenges**

Business Hall, Rowan University

**Wednesday, February 7, 2024**

Registration and breakfast, 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.

Program, 8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Sign up for i**n-person or virtual attendance**

Please join us for the Sweeney Center for Public Policy’s Conference on **School Regionalization in New Jersey.** The conference will lay out the major changes in New Jersey’s new school regionalization statute enacted in 2022 and go over the requirements of the School Regionalization Efficiency Program (SREP) grant program. The program will discuss the progress of regionalization initiatives undertaken since the enactment two years ago of S3488, the first major revision of the state’s school regionalization law in a quarter-century.

Speakers include:

* **Jacquelyn Suarez**, Acting Community Affairs Commissioner, and **Richard Richardella,** chief of the Bureau of Local Government Assistance, who will discuss the School Regionalization and Efficiency Program (SREP) grants that fund the full cost of regionalization studies.
* **Mark Magyar**, who negotiated the new law with the NJEA, NJ School Boards Association and other stakeholders, who will discuss the provisions of the new statute.
* **Tara Beams**, Henry Hudson Regional schools superintendent, and regionalization consultant **Brian Falkowski**, who will discuss the public process that resulted four months ago in the first successful regionalization vote in New Jersey since 2013.
* **Kennedy Greene**, former Newton superintendent, and **Scott Oswald**, former Collingswood superintendent, who will discuss the regionalization study process.
* **Michael Gorman**, Salem Community College president who headed the effort to create a countywide district in Salem.
* **Lucille Davy**, former state Education Commissioner and **David Lindenmuth** of the Rowan College of Education, who will discuss the implications of the new regionalization law for the ongoing school desegregation litigation.

To register for the free conference, [please click here](https://url2.mailanyone.net/scanner?m=1rONEt-0008qj-3n&d=4%7Cmail%2F90%2F1705087800%2F1rONEt-0008qj-3n%7Cin2b%7C57e1b682%7C27198722%7C12094382%7C65A19367A8FCF0D63800271F1DBCCED6&o=%2Fphto%3A%2Frts..wauo1qnc.ralocsctiofm%2Fm%2FfrjeO_%2FSXDpEVeQ3MJd4raH&s=lekJtLBVIQgds8jShqRdZUej2iA) or go to <https://url2.mailanyone.net/scanner?m=1rONEt-0008qj-3n&d=4%7Cmail%2F90%2F1705087800%2F1rONEt-0008qj-3n%7Cin2b%7C57e1b682%7C27198722%7C12094382%7C65A19367A8FCF0D63800271F1DBCCED6&o=%2Fphth%3A%2Fctsnrssewa..oecdusntr%2Feye%2Fscne_weveenn%2Feetrlmth.st&s=7KclFlw3zwOPeDs_GqBrDzVEk0E>