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**SCHOOL 21'S SOARING EAGLES DANCE TROUPE TO PERFORM AT THE N.J. SCHOOL
BOARDS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE**

Students' performance will lead into keynote address by N.J. Education Commissioner

PATERSON – Public School No. 21's Soaring Eagles Dance Troupe has been selected to perform at the upcoming N.J. School Boards Association NJBSA annual conference in Atlantic City. The dozen student dancers in grades four through eight will perform on Wednesday, October 26th in a prized performance slot: just before keynote remarks are delivered by acting New Jersey Commissioner of Education, Dr. Angelica Allen-McMillan.

"We could not be prouder of our School 21 Soaring Eagles dancers for obtaining this wonderful opportunity to represent Paterson Public Schools to the entire state," said Superintendent of School Eileen F. Shafer. "This is a great honor for our students, and I want to thank School 21 Principal JoAnn Riviello, ESL teacher Jason Velante, and ESL teacher Jose Rosario who coordinated the students and choreographed their routine. This is sure to be one of the biggest highlights of the NJSBA conference."

[CLICK HERE](#) to see the Soaring Eagles Dance Troupe's 2019 performance for Hispanic Heritage Month.

School 21 is one of three recipients of the 2020-2022 State Board of Education's Certificate of Recognition for Outstanding Model Program for Second Language Learning. Since the inception of the school's Bilingual Magnet Program in 2016, School 21 has presented several performances every October in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.

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