

# 2025-2026

# CALENDAR and DIRECTORY



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# Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Calendar 2025-2026

## *A Message From The Educational Services Commission of New Jersey*

### *A Message from the Superintendent of Schools*

Dear ESCNJ Community,

On behalf of the Central Office Leadership Team and the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, it is my sincere pleasure to welcome everyone back for the 2025-2026 school year. Each new year brings fresh opportunities, and I am excited to see the incredible work that will unfold across our schools and programs.

Over the summer, the ESCNJ team has been hard at work enhancing our facilities to ensure a safe and supportive environment for our students and staff. Some of the key projects completed include:

- Repaving of parking lots across several campuses to improve safety and accessibility, with the addition of multiple curb access points for student mobility.
- Renovations to the gymnasium flooring, nursing office, and Occupational/Physical Therapy room at Bright Beginnings Learning Center, providing students with an improved space for physical education, recreation, and needed OT/PT services.
- Cosmetic and security upgrades to our Piscataway campus fencing, adding color, style, and added safety for our students.
- Phase 1 of floor replacement at the Piscataway Regional Day School, as well as furniture replacement in several key, high-access areas. This will be a multi-year project to bring PRDS up to date.
- Replacement of the roof at the Center for Lifelong Learning and Aquatics Center in Sayreville, ensuring the integrity and longevity of the facility.
- Significant progress has been made in enhancing security systems and security staffing across ESCNJ campuses to provide the safest possible learning environments.

In addition to these projects, I remain committed to ensuring that our campuses reflect the pride we have in our schools and programs. We have paid close attention to the upkeep of our grounds and building exteriors, as well as the proper storage and utilization of space, to ensure that our campuses look beautiful and function efficiently for our students, staff, and community.

As we embark on the year ahead, I want to thank each and every member of the ESCNJ community—teachers, aides, therapists, support staff, administrators, and service providers—for your tireless dedication. The work you do each day has a lasting impact on the students and families we serve, and it is truly appreciated.

I look forward to a successful and fulfilling year together.

*Best Regards,*  
Nadia Romano  
Superintendent of Schools



**Superintendent Nadia Romano**

**PLEASE NOTE: DATES AND EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

# SEPTEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <b>LABOR DAY</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	2 <b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b> (Full Day Faculty & Staff-Schools Only)	3 <b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b> (Full Day Faculty & Staff-Schools Only)	4 <b>1<sup>st</sup> FULL DAY OF SCHOOL</b>	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 <b>BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT</b> (All Schools)	12	13
14	15 <b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-ACS ONLY</b> (Program Closed for Participants)	16	17	18	19 <b>ESCNJ BOARD MEETING</b> - 9:30 a.m. (Professional Conference Center, Piscataway Campus)	20
21	22	23 <b>ROSH HASHANAH</b> (Schools Closed)	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				



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SEE THE BACK COVER FOR A COMPLETE DIRECTORY OF NAMES, ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS.

## Calendar-At-A-Glance

- 9/1 . . . . . Labor Day (Schools/ACS Program closed)
- 9/2-3 . . . . . Full Day Staff Development (Full Day Faculty Staff-Schools Only)
- 9/4 . . . . . 1st Day of School
- 9/11 . . . . . Back to School Night (All schools)
- 9/15 . . . . . Professional Development for ACS Only (Program closed)
- 9/19 . . . . . ESCNJ Board Meeting
- 9/23 . . . . . Rosh Hashanah (Schools closed)
- 10/2 . . . . . Yum Kippur (Schools Closed)
- 10/13 . . . . . Professional Development for ACS Only (Program closed)
- 10/17 . . . . . ESCNJ Board Meeting
- 10/20 . . . . . Diwali (Schools closed)
- 10/23 . . . . . Half Day Staff Development (Early dismissal all schools)
- 11/6-7 . . . . . NJEA Convention (Schools Closed)
- 11/7 . . . . . Professional Development for ACS Only (Program closed)
- 11/12-13 . . . . . Parent/Teacher Conference (Early dismissal all schools)\
- 11/21 . . . . . ESCNJ Board Meeting
- 11/27-28 . . . . . Thanksgiving (All Schools and ACS Program closed)
- 12/4 . . . . . Half Day Staff Development (Early dismissal all schools)
- 12/19 . . . . . ESCNJ Board Meeting
- 12/24-1/1 . . . . . Winter Recess (All Schools/ACS Program closed)
- 1/2 . . . . . Winter Recess (Schools Closed)
- 1/19 . . . . . Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (All Schools/ACS Program closed)
- 1/20 . . . . . Professional Development-ACS Only (Program closed)
- 1/22 . . . . . Half Day Staff Development (Early dismissal all schools)
- 1/23 . . . . . ESCNJ Board Meeting
- 2/16 . . . . . President's Day (All Schools/ACS Program closed)
- 2/17 . . . . . Professional Development-ACS Only (Program closed)
- 2/20 . . . . . ESCNJ Board Meeting
- 2/26 . . . . . Half Day Staff Development (Early dismissal all schools)
- 3/20 . . . . . EID-AL-FITR (All Schools Closed)
- 3/20 . . . . . Professional Development-ACS Only (Program closed)
- 3/26 . . . . . Half Day Staff Development (Early dismissal all schools)
- 3/27 . . . . . ESCNJ Board Meeting
- 3/30-4/6 . . . . . Spring Recess (Schools closed - ACS Program closed only on 4/3)
- 4/20 . . . . . Professional Development-ACS Only (Program closed)
- 4/22-23 . . . . . Parent/Teacher Conference (Early dismissal all schools)
- 4/24 . . . . . ESCNJ Board Meeting
- 4/30 . . . . . Half Day Staff Development (Early dismissal all schools)
- 5/15 . . . . . Professional Development-ACS Only (Program closed)
- 5/21 . . . . . Half Day Staff Development (Early dismissal all schools)
- 5/25 . . . . . Memorial Day (All School/ACS Program closed)
- 6/5 . . . . . ESCNJ Board Meeting
- 6/15 . . . . . Professional Development-ACS Only (Program closed)
- 6/23 . . . . . Tentative Last Day of School

## Board Of Directors

Dr. David Roman, **President**

Dr. Richard Labbe, **Vice President**

### Member Districts

Alexandria Township	Old Bridge
Carteret	Perth Amboy
Cranbury	Plainfield
Dunellen	Piscataway
East Brunswick	Sayreville
East Windsor	Somerset Hills Regional
Edison	South Amboy
Highland Park	South Brunswick
Jamesburg	South Plainfield
Metuchen	South River
Middlesex	Spotswood
Middlesex County Magnet School	Woodbridge
Milltown	Kean University
Monroe	Middlesex College
New Brunswick	
North Brunswick	

### ESCNJ Mission Statement

The mission of the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey is to provide statewide excellence to students in partnership with New Jersey school districts, and coordinate cost efficient purchasing opportunities for educational institutions and municipalities to limit the tax burden on New Jersey residents.

# OCTOBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 <b>YUM KIPPUR</b> (Schools Closed)	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 <b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-ACS ONLY</b> (Program Closed for Participants)	14	15	16	17 <b>ESCNJ BOARD MEETING</b> - 9:30 a.m. (Professional Conference Center, Piscataway Campus)	18
19	20 <b>DIWALI</b> (Schools Closed)	21	22	23 <b>HALF DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b> (Early Dismissal All Schools)	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



## Academy Learning Center

145 Pergola Avenue • Monroe Township, NJ 08831

**(732) 605-9100**

*For Students Ages 3 - 21*

School Hours: 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Ms. Nicole Paturzo, BCBA, Principal

Ms. Colleen Marash, Vice Principal

The Academy Learning Center (ALC) provides specialized, classroom-based instruction that is aligned with the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis, including Verbal Behavior Techniques and Compassionate Care practices. ALC offers two specialized programs that foster the delivery of intensive and individualized programming: The Program for Students with Autism, established in 1996; and the Program for Students with Multiple Disabilities, established in 1992. With a low student to staff ratio, both programs emphasize the development of functional skills in language, academics, socialization and vocational areas, including Community-Based Instruction. Staff strive to develop a collaborative partnership with families and home-service providers, emphasizing a consistent and supportive approach to each student's educational and behavioral needs.

### School-wide specializations include:

- Data-Based Programming
- AAC evaluation and training
- Behavior management planning including FBAs and FAs
- Integrated related services
- Social skills training
- Community-Based Instruction (CBI)
- Comprehensive Vocational Education programming, including in-school jobs and a job sampling program
- Parent Training Series/Home Visits
- VB-MAPP and Functional Skills Assessment
- Adaptive physical education, music and art instruction

### Skills Assessments:

- Developmental assessments such as the VB-MAPP and EFL are used to identify functional skills for the home, school and community environments
- Functional Behavior Assessments are completed to identify behaviors that interfere with skill acquisition
- Specific Direct Instruction Program Assessments utilized to foster development of foundational academic skills
- Evidence based instructional approaches to drive individualized and whole group lessons

### The facility features:

- Observation rooms in every classroom
- A spacious gym • Cafeteria • OT/PT room
- Activities of daily living room
- Vocational education room
- Sensory room
- Age-appropriate playgrounds/exercise areas
- Resource Center for parent/staff trainings



# NOVEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6 FALL RECESS NJEA CONVENTION (Schools Closed)	7 FALL RECESS NJEA CONVENTION (Schools Closed) PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-ACS ONLY (Program Closed for Participants)	8
9	10	11	12 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (Early Dismissal All Schools)	13 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (Early Dismissal All Schools)	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 ESCNJ BOARD MEETING - 9:30 a.m. (Professional Conference Center, Piscataway Campus)	22
23/30	24	25	26	27 THANKSGIVING DAY (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	28 THANKSGIVING WEEKEND (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	29



## Bright Beginnings Learning Center

1660 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 • (732) 339-9331

*For Students Ages 3 - 10*

School Hours: 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Ms. Jenn Nesi, Principal • Ms. Jolanta Kolodziejki, Vice Principal

The Bright Beginnings Learning Center offers two specialized programs: The program for Students with Autism/Preschool ages 3- 10, and program for Students with Multiple Disabilities/Preschool ages 3-10. Both programs focus on the development of independent functional skills in language, academic, social and vocational areas; and provide intensive and individualized instruction with a low student-to-staff ratio. The programs focus on the development of independent functional skills in language, academic, social and vocational areas.



### Specialized program components include:

- BCBA's on staff
- Individualized Behavior Management supports FBAs and FAs
- Augmentative/Assistive Communication (AAC) Evaluation and Training
- VB-MAPP, PEAK and Functional Skills Assessment
- Integrated Instruction with related services

- Community-Based Instruction opportunities (CBI)
- Photographic activity schedules
- Social skills training
- Parent training
- Adaptive physical education
- Functional academic skills

- Small and large group instruction
- Adaptive equipment assessment
- Dysphagia intervention
- Medical monitoring
- Seizure management
- Adaptive physical education
- Gardening program

### The facility features:

- 16 classrooms
- Cafeteria
- OT/PT room
- Sensory room

- Two redesigned age appropriate playgrounds
- Resource Center
- Outdoor garden/classroom

- Observation rooms
- State-of-the-art technology in all classrooms
- Spacious gym

# DECEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 <b>HALF DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b> (Early Dismissal All Schools)	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 <b>ESCNJ BOARD MEETING</b> - 9:30 a.m. (Professional Conference Center, Piscataway Campus)	20
21	22	23	24 <b>WINTER RECESS</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	25 <b>WINTER RECESS</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	26 <b>WINTER RECESS</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	27
28	29 <b>WINTER RECESS</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	30 <b>WINTER RECESS</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	31 <b>WINTER RECESS</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)			



## Center for Lifelong Learning

333 Cheesequake Road • Parlin, NJ 08859 • (732) 727-3736

*For Students Ages 3 - 21*

School Hours: 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Ms. Mary Beth Conley, *Principal* • Mr. Michael Kane, *Vice Principal*

Ms. Antoinette Nicholasi, BCBA, *Vice Principal*

The Center for Lifelong Learning accommodates approximately 200 students and offers specialized classroom instruction based on the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) for students with Autism and students with Multiple Disabilities, ages 3 - 21. Both programs involve parents in a collaborative partnership with school staff to provide a consistent approach to meeting students' educational and behavioral needs. Student disabilities range from moderate to severe and include the areas of autism, pervasive developmental disorders, and communication, physical, orthopedic and cognitive impairments.

### Specialized program components include:

- Low student to staff ratio
- BCBA on staff
- Behavior Management Intervention
- Direct Instruction Academic Programs
- Functional academic skills
- Discrete trial teaching
- AAC evaluation and training
- Collaboration with related services
- Speech-Language Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Counseling
- Dysphagia Intervention
- Consumer Skills
- Community-Based Instruction
- Job sampling
- Work-Based Learning experiences
- Medical monitoring
- Seizure management

### The facility features:

- Sensory room
- OT/PT rooms
- Speech Therapy rooms
- 24 classrooms
- Media Center
- Activities of Daily Living Room, including two full kitchens, washers and dryers
- Spacious gym
- Technology in every classroom (e.g. Smart TVs, tablets)
- A Pre-vocational skills classroom
- Greenhouse with horticulture opportunities



# JANUARY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <b>WINTER RECESS</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	2 <b>WINTER RECESS</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 <b>DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	20 <b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-ACS ONLY</b> (Program Closed for Participants)	21	22 <b>HALF DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b> (Early Dismissal All Schools)	23 <b>ESCNJ BOARD MEETING</b> - 9:30 a.m. (Professional Conference Center, Piscataway Campus)	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



## Future Foundations Academy

1690 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 • (732) 978-1555

*For Students Ages 8 - 21*

School Hours: 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Ms. Katie Feiles, BCBA, *Principal* • Mr. John Taylor, *Vice Principal*

Ms. Nicole Turant, *Vice Principal*

Future Foundations Academy (FFA) is home to a new 55,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility. FFA offers academic, functional, and independence-driven instruction based upon the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), including Verbal Behavior techniques. With a faculty led by Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBA) and comprised of BCBA candidates, Registered Behavior Technicians (RBT), state-certified Structured Learning Experience (SLE) staff, and Job Coaches, FFA focuses on middle and secondary-level students with a wide breadth of cognitive skills. Students receive intensive, individualized coursework with a minimum of a 2:1 student-to-staff ratio. FFA is committed to academic skill-building and behavior management strategies for students through small group instruction and related services based on each student's IEP. Along with core academic and curriculum offerings, students participate in STEM activities, hands-on culinary and horticultural experiences, vocational training, and physical fitness instruction.



### Specialized program components include:

- Functional academic skills
- Applied Behavior Analysis Principles
- Behavior Management Planning
- Consumer skills
- Career awareness and training
- Skill acquisition programming
- Data-Based Instruction
- Community-Based Instruction, including job sampling
- Comprehensive Vocational Education including in-school job assignments and internships
- Social skills
- Transition planning
- Indoor and outdoor recreational activities
- Technology learning resources in all instructional areas
- Speech/Language/Physical Therapy/ Occupational Therapy

# FEBRUARY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 <b>PRESIDENTS' DAY</b> (Schools/ACS Program Closed)	17 <b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-ACS ONLY</b> (Program Closed for Participants)	18	19	20 <b>ESCNJ BOARD MEETING</b> - 9:30 a.m. (Professional Conference Center, Piscataway Campus)	21
22	23	24	25	26 <b>HALF DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b> (Early Dismissal All Schools)	27	28



## NuView Academy

1 Park Avenue • Piscataway, NJ 08854 • (732) 878-0070

*For Students Ages 5 - 21*

School Hours: 8:30 am to 2:15 pm

Ms. Lisa Williams, *Principal*

Dr. Ramandeep Kaur, *Psychiatrist, Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care*

The NuView Academy is a therapeutic school for students ages 5 - 21 with behavior challenges. NuView Academy offers a supportive school environment for students exhibiting severe symptoms or diagnosis of Depression, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), as well as Conduct, Thought, and Anxiety Disorders.

NuView Academy programming includes full-day educational services and onsite therapeutic services for students and their families. Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care administers the clinical services at NuView, including a full-time psychiatrist. Clinical Services provide students with the support needed to address behaviors so they may succeed academically.

Academic instruction at NuView Academy is delivered in a self-contained setting by certified educational staff, with a strong focus on individualized IEP goals. The academic and clinical teams work in close collaboration to implement behavioral strategies that support each student's emotional and social development. This integrated approach ensures that students are better equipped to engage with and access their academic curriculum, fostering both personal growth and educational success.



### Primary/Elementary Community (Grades K - 4)

Language Arts Literacy (Including English Grammar, Spelling, Handwriting, Reading), Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Health & Physical Education, Visual Arts, Technology, Social Skills and Group Counseling. Opportunities for remediation are available in the Core Content areas based on student needs and their IEP.

### Middle/High School Community (Grades 5 - 12)

Language Arts Literacy, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Health & Physical Education, World Language (Spanish), Career Education, Visual Arts, Technology, Social Skills and Group Counseling. Opportunities for remediation are available in the Core Content areas based on student needs and their IEP. Community-Based Instruction, which includes life skills training and working for community employers, is also offered.

# MARCH 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 <b>EID-AL-FITR</b> (All Schools Closed) <b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-ACS ONLY</b> (Program Closed for Participants)	21
22	23	24	25	26 <b>HALF DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b> (Early Dismissal All Schools)	27 <b>ESCNJ BOARD MEETING</b> - 9:30 a.m. (Professional Conference Center, Piscataway Campus)	28
29	30 <b>SPRING RECESS</b> (All Schools Closed)	31 <b>SPRING RECESS</b> (All Schools Closed)				



## Piscataway Regional Day School

1670 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 • (732) 985-8752

*For Students Ages 3 - 21*

School Hours: 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Ms. Elizabeth Fuzy, BCaBA, *Principal* • Ms. Meena Pasupathy, *Supervisor*

The Piscataway Regional Day School offers specialized programs for students ages 3-21. The program for students with multiple disabilities focuses on the development of independent functional skills in communication, language, mobility, academic, social, and vocational areas. The program has operated since 1984 and is staffed by experienced teachers, clinicians, and classroom aides. The program includes comprehensive vocational education, including in-school job assignments and internships, as well as Community-Based Instruction and job sampling opportunities. Student disabilities range from moderate to severe and include the areas of cognitive, neurological, medical, and orthopedic disabilities. All faculty are appropriately certified with a focus on maximizing each student's level of independent functioning with educational and related services based on each student's IEP.



### Specialized program components include:

- Functional academic skills
- Data Based Instruction
- Adapted physical education
- Visual and performing arts instruction
- Full- time nurses on staff
- Dysphagia intervention
- Medical monitoring
- Seizure management
- Integrated instruction with related services
- Adaptive equipment assessment
- Career awareness and training
- Transition planning
- Consumer, social skills and family support training
- Parent-Professional Association
- Swimming/aquatic opportunities'
- Social skills groups
- Community-Based Instruction
- Counseling
- Individualized OT, PT, and speech services
- AAC assessment and training
- Transition planning and support
- Support focused on transitioning to adult life

### The facility features:

- Single-story, fully accessible
- Classroom clusters to facilitate educational communities
- Classrooms equipped with student-centered technology
- Dedicated Occupational/Physical Therapy Room
- Gymnasium
- Cafeteria
- Vocational Education Room
- Spacious outdoor recreation/exercise areas

# APRIL 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <b>SPRING RECESS</b> (All Schools Closed)	2 <b>SPRING RECESS</b> (All Schools Closed)	3 <b>SPRING RECESS</b> (All Schools/ACS Program Closed)	4
5	6 <b>SPRING RECESS</b> (All Schools Closed)	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 <b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-ACS ONLY</b> (Program Closed for Participants)	21	22 <b>PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES</b> (Early Dismissal All Schools)	23 <b>PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES</b> (Early Dismissal All Schools)	24 <b>ESCNJ BOARD MEETING</b> - 9:30 a.m. (Professional Conference Center, Piscataway Campus)	25
26	27	28	29	30 <b>HALF DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b> (Early Dismissal All Schools)		



## Pathways To Adult Living

95 Main Street • Sayreville, NJ 08872 • **(732) 399-9250**

Ms. Denise M. Geddis, Supervisor PAL/ Vocational Programming

The Pathways to Adult Living Program (PAL) is a comprehensive transition program for students 18-21 who have completed their high school graduation requirements but need additional support to prepare for independent living. The program focuses on daily living skills, Community-Based Instruction, and Work-Based Learning, all with the goal of facilitating independence.

- **Community-Based Instruction:** An educational approach that teaches and reinforces functional life skills within natural, real world community environments. This instructional method helps students acquire and generalize skills needed for greater independence and adulthood.
- **Work-Based Learning:** Students are offered a variety of job sampling opportunities that help them develop essential workplace skills for future employment. Additionally, exposure to multiple job experiences enables them to identify tasks they enjoy and excel in, while also eliminating areas of lesser interest, allowing them to focus on employment that aligns with their strengths and preferences.
- **Travel Training:** An essential component of the PAL program is equipping students with the skills to navigate NJ Transit public transportation independently. In addition, through a collaboration with Rutgers' New Jersey Travel Independence Program (NJTIP @ Rutgers), the program offers individualized travel training to further support student success.
- **Financial Literacy:** Students learn essential money management skills to support their transition to greater independence. The program focuses on practical areas such as budgeting, banking, and handling personal finances with confidence.
- **Culinary Skills:** The program helps students build essential life skills through lessons in meal planning, comparison shopping, grocery shopping, kitchen safety, and basic cooking.
- **Recreational and leisure activities:** Students participate in a variety of recreational and leisure activities that encourage fitness, while also providing opportunities for social interaction and building friendships.
- **PAL's Partnerships:** PAL partners with a variety of agencies to provide valuable resources and collaborative support in preparing for adult life. This includes guidance in self-advocacy, social engagement, and building healthy relationships.

## Adult Community Services

1690 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 • **(732) 777-9848, Ext. 6100**

Ms. Lisa Buckwalter, MSW, LSW, Executive Director

ESCNJ Adult Community Services is a DDD/Medicaid approved day habilitation provider. The ACS program offers individuals, with intellectual and developmental disabilities, 21 and over, an opportunity to strive for independence by helping to develop their social, emotional, and life skills. Individuals will have the ability to explore their interests, participate in community inclusion, prevocational learning, as well as vocational soft skills and training. A cornerstone of the program is bridging the gap between school and adulthood through hands-on experience that can be transferred to real life opportunities.



## Itinerant Services For Deaf & Hard Of Hearing

1660 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 • **(732) 777-9848, Ext. 3125**

Ms. Jill Vogel, Coordinator

Program leaders collaborate with resident school districts, families, and state agencies to create positive learning communities that enable children who are deaf or hard of hearing to realize their full educational potential. ESCNJ provides a variety of support through the use of certified Teachers of the Deaf, Speech/Language Pathologists and Learning Consultants with experience in the unique communication needs of students with hearing loss.

## Turning Point Academy

99 Apple Orchard Lane • No. Brunswick, NJ 08902 • **(732) 398-4405**

Ms. Phyllis Lewis, Principal

The Turning Point Academy serves middle and high school-aged youths residing within The Middlesex County Juvenile Detention Center. Overseen by the Middlesex County Board of Commissioners; ESCNJ supervises the comprehensive academic program.

# MAY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 <b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-ACS ONLY</b> (Program Closed for Participants)	16
17	18	19	20	21 <b>HALF DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b> (Early Dismissal All Schools)	22	23
24/31	25 <b>MEMORIAL DAY</b> (All Schools/ACS Program Closed)	26	27	28	29	30



## Co-op Pricing System

1660 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 • **(732) 777-9848, Ext. 3120**

Membership in ESCNJ’s Co-op Pricing System helps public officials save taxpayers money by identifying the lowest price on equipment and services ranging from office furniture, security equipment and custodial supplies, to vehicles, natural gas and electricity.

With more than 1,700 New Jersey members representing all 21 counties, the Co-op Pricing System is the largest state approved cooperative. Members include representatives from school districts, colleges, universities, municipalities, county government, housing authorities, including Connecticut, Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia that benefit from the Co-op Pricing System.



## Coordinated Transportation Services

1690 Stelton Road • Piscataway, NJ 08854 • **(732) 777-9848, Ext. 3570**

ESCNJ provides coordinated transportation for special, public, nonpublic and vocational-technical educational programs. With approximately 1,200 transportation routes, serving 10,800 students, the Commission is a reliable service provider with compassion for student needs, as well as a commitment to safety, reliability and punctuality.



## Department Of Nonpublic Services

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The Department of Nonpublic Services operates according to Public Law 192-193 and offers specific auxiliary and remedial services to eligible New Jersey students attending non-public schools.

<b>Chapter 192 Services</b>	<b>Chapter 193 Services</b>
Compensatory Education	Child Study Team Assessment
English-as-a-Second Language	Supplementary Instruction
Home Instruction	Speech Correction

Additionally, the County Diagnostic Educational Commission offers a multidisciplinary team of professionals to help school districts and Charter Schools develop programs that address students’ individual needs with the following services:

- Child Study Team, LDT/C, Social Workers, School Psychologists, Psychiatric, Neurological, Speech and Language Services
- Occupational and Physical Therapy Evaluation, and Augmentative Evaluations

## Charter School Services

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Ms. Sharon Marinello, *Director, Department of Nonpublic Services*

ESCNJ provides the same scope and level of quality services to charter schools as it does for public and non-public schools. Services range from coordination of special education programs and staffing, to help with transportation needs, technical assistance with state monitoring, and professional development for faculty/staff.

# JUNE 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 <b>ESCNJ BOARD MEETING</b> - 9:30 a.m. (Professional Conference Center, Piscataway Campus)	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 <b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT-ACS ONLY</b> (Program Closed to Participants)	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 <b>TENTATIVE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

**THE ABOVE CIRCLED DAYS ARE EMERGENCY SNOW DAYS AND THE STAFF/STUDENTS MAY HAVE THIS DAY OFF**



## Professional Conference Center at ESCNJ

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Ms. Erynn Dakin, *Conference Center Coordinator*

The Professional Conference Center is a newly-designed, state-of-the-art facility in the heart of Middlesex County. The 4,484 sq. ft. meeting space, with a 500 sq. ft. lobby, can be separated by an air-wall into two medium-size breakout rooms.

The Professional Conference Center offers a variety of amenities:

- Large LED walls for high-resolution presentations
- Modern presentation podium with built-in controls for lighting, sound system, etc.
- Teleconference camera and video controls
- State-of-the-art sound system
- Dimmable dedicated lighting
- Ergonomic conference chairs
- Movable conference tables

The conference center hosts an array of ESCNJ events throughout the year. The facility is ideal for meetings, retreats and special events for both community and corporate use, with ample on-site parking.



## ESCNJ Aquatics and Fitness Center

333 Cheesequake Road • Parlin, NJ 08859 • **732-317-0333**

The Aquatics and Fitness Center is a newly-designed, newly expanded, 19,000 sq. ft. with the latest in strength and cardio equipment.

The centerpiece of the gym floor is a massive base station with multiple training modules, a large selection of free weights, stretching area, TRX and two new locker rooms. The second level showcases four fitness studios, treadmills, ellipticals, stationary bikes.



The basic membership includes:

- Yoga
- Spin classes
- Les Mills Pro Classes
- Group exercise classes
- Child care
- Access to the newly-renovated Olympic size pool

Additional add-on features include personal training and fitness consultation-everything needed to meet or exceed your health and wellness goals.



# JULY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY
56	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

# AUGUST 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23/30	24/31	25	26	27	28	29



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