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Mr. Matthew Mignanelli, Chief School Administrator
 Hawthorne Public School District
 194 Warburton Avenue
 Hawthorne, New Jersey 07506

Dear Mr. Mignanelli:

On June 27, 2024 the Department issued an evaluation of the Hawthorne Public School District pursuant to the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:30, the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC). At that time, the school district was placed on the continuum in each of the five performance evaluation areas in the district performance review (DPR): Instruction and Program, Fiscal Management, Governance, Operations and Personnel.

Following the initial evaluation, the district developed a District Improvement Plan (DIP) to address all noncompliant areas identified as less than 80% in the table below. The DIP was approved on January 14, 2025. Staff from the Passaic County Office of Education conducted an interim review of the district’s progress in the areas identified in the DIP. Below are the initial review placement and interim review placement scores for the district:

NJQSAC Areas	Initial Placement June 2024	Interim Placement April 2026
Instruction and Program	79%	87%
Fiscal Management	94%	94%
Governance	94%	94%
Operations	92%	92%
Personnel	100%	100%

I am pleased to inform you that your district has now satisfied at least 80% of the weighted indicators in each of the five areas of the NJQSAC review process and has been designated as “high performing.” These placement results will be provided to the State Board of Education at an upcoming meeting. Congratulations on this accomplishment.

Please be advised that NJQSAC regulations require the district board of education to report these placement results at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:30-4.1, if you believe that any indicators were scored incorrectly, you have seven days from the receipt of this letter to submit a written reconsideration request and supporting documentation. Email your request and accompanying documents to qsac@doe.nj.gov.

Sincerely,

A Robert Gregory
 Executive Director
 Division of Field Support and Services

ARG:LLS /Hawthorne interim review
 C: Kesha Drakeford, Executive County Superintendent