



Dear Parents/Guardians,

It was my honor to attend the 2015 National Blue Ribbon Award Ceremony in Washington, D.C with Mr. Davis and Mr. Pavlu earlier this month as the Bergen County Academies was recognized as an Exemplary High Performing School. BCA was among the 285 public and 50 private schools nationwide to achieve this prestigious honor. Selection in the category of Exemplary High Performing Schools acknowledges BCA as one of New Jersey's highest performing schools as measured by state assessments or nationally normed tests, student performance, and high school graduation rates.

Since its founding in 1982, the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program has bestowed this award on more than 7,000 American schools, including public schools, public charter schools, magnet/choice schools, Title I schools, and non-public schools including parochial and independent schools. Awarded schools represent urban, suburban, and rural locales, large and small populations, traditional and innovative teaching methodologies, and students of every socioeconomic and ethnic background.

This award recognizes the dedication and hard work of our school's administrators, faculty, and staff, and I hope you will take the opportunity to congratulate them for this outstanding achievement. Just as importantly, though, it also recognizes the many educators throughout Bergen County who prepare our children to succeed in high school and beyond.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.

Sincerely,

Howard Lerner, Ed.D.  
Superintendent