



With the school calendar closing in on the first marking period, I hope that our students can take some time off to relax and enjoy their families during this NJEA conference break. At this time, I would like to share some terrific news and congratulate Demarest Middle School (DMS) and Luther Lee Emerson School (LLE) for receiving the designation of a "Future Ready" school.

As part of its ongoing approach to developing 21st century learners who can succeed in an increasingly challenging college and career environment, the New Jersey Department of Education has created a cohort of schools that earned the distinction of being considered "Future Ready". With over 2500 schools found in New Jersey, only 104 schools received the designation and the Demarest Board of Education is proud to announce that both DMS and LLE received this prestigious honor for the second year. The certification was far more rigorous than the equivalent 2017 certification that both schools received during the inaugural Future Ready cycle. Check out our fantastic videos that were part of the application process. Both videos can be found on the district homepage: <https://demarestsd.schoolwires.net>

Enjoy the break!

Sincerely,

Michael Fox