

DEMAREST PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Demarest Public Schools receive Future Ready School Certification

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Demarest Middle School and Luther Lee Emerson School Receive Prestigious Designation

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 is fostering a cohort of schools that earned the distinction of being considered “Future Ready.” With over 2500 schools found in New Jersey, only 63 received the designation and the Demarest Board of Education is proud to announce that both Luther Lee Emerson and Demarest Middle School received this prestigious honor.

On Tuesday, October 24th, 2017 the Demarest Board of Education and Superintendent Michael Fox participated in a Future Ready Award Program, and received both the official certification documentation and the official Future Ready Seal, which now can be displayed. “Future Ready Schools is a comprehensive and challenging certification program designed to promote digital learning readiness in schools throughout New Jersey,” said Ms. Diane Holzberg, President of the Board of Education, “by providing guidance, support, direction, and resources to schools and districts.”

“Future Ready is a partnership of the New Jersey Department of Education, the New Jersey School Boards Association and New Jersey Institute of Technology,” said Superintendent Michael Fox, “and will help our schools promote the skills, abilities and capacities essential for success in college, career, and citizenship in a digital age.”

Supervisor of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, Ms. Kelly Stevens stated, “We are thrilled to have both Demarest Middle School and Luther Lee Emerson School be recognized as Future Ready Schools. It is a testament to our staff, students, board of education, and the community that we have achieved this honor. The Future Ready Initiative has assisted the district in ensuring our students are prepared to face the challenges throughout their education and beyond.”

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In the photo are (l. to r.) Diane Holzberg, Demarest Board of Education President, , Michael Fox, Demarest Public School Superintendent, Erica Cantatore, Demarest Board of Education Trustee, Christen Governale, Demarest Board of Education Trustee.



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