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RE: Inclusive Schools, Inclusive Lives Poster Contest

Dear Administrator:

The New Jersey Coalition for Inclusive Education (NJCIE) is hosting its third annual Inclusive Schools, Inclusive Lives Poster Contest for students in grades 2 through 12. Co-sponsors of the contest include the New Jersey Office of Special Education Programs (IDEA Part B funds) and the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association.

This year's theme is, *Inclusion Works!* Please forward the enclosed flyer, suitable for posting, to any classroom, art and other teachers who might be interested in using this project as a vehicle for discussing the importance of creating a school where ALL children, regardless of their disabilities or differences, are welcome and respected. Inclusion works in schools where:

- Differences do not result in isolation;
- Everyone gets the help and support they need;
- All students take care of each other, themselves and their school;
- Everyone feels they belong.

All of the directions for the Poster Contest may be found on the enclosed flyer. Contest instructions may also be downloaded from the home page at NJCIE's website, <http://NJCIE.net>.

Please feel free to contact NJCIE via phone (732-613-0400) or e-mail (NJCIE@njcie.net) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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