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**Statement on Superior Court of NJ Decision regarding *N.J.A.C 6A:8, Standards and Assessment***

On December 31, 2018, the Superior Court of NJ issued a decision on the appeal from the 2016 adoption of amended regulations at *N.J.A.C 6A:8, Standards and Assessment*, by the New Jersey State Board of Education.

The [decision of the Superior Court](#) finds that *N.J.A.C 6A:8-5.1(a)(6)*, 5.1(f) and 5.1 (g) are contrary to the intent of the statute and the current regulations as enacted are stricken. The court has stayed the decision for 30 days for the Department to decide whether to appeal the decision to the state Supreme Court.

The Department and Attorney General's Office are reviewing options and assessing next steps.

"Throughout this process, the guiding factor of utmost importance will continue to be what is best for the students of New Jersey," said Lamont O. Repollet, Commissioner of Education. "The Department aims to minimize the impacts that any future actions, as a result of this decision, will have on students and schools."

More information will be forthcoming as we continue to review all options. The Department of Education remains committed to communicating information as soon as possible in order to minimize impacts on students on track to graduate.