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Mr. Jason Bing, Superintendent  
South Orange-Maplewood School District  
525 Academy Street  
Maplewood, New Jersey 07040

Dear Mr. Bing:

Pursuant to the requirements of *N.J.A.C. 6A:30*, the South Orange-Maplewood School District has undergone the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) review. The Essex County Executive County Superintendent and team conducted a review of the school district’s self-assessment on the District Performance Review (DPR) document to verify the school district’s compliance with all five areas of NJQSAC. Based on that review, the school district has been placed on a continuum in the five NJQSAC areas which are, Instruction and Program, Fiscal Management, Governance, Operations and Personnel. The completed NJQSAC county office review resulted in the district receiving the following placement scores for each area listed below

NJQSAC Areas	Initial Placement (October,2024)
Instruction and Program	83%
Fiscal Management	100%
Governance	100%
Operations	85%
Personnel	85%

These placement results will be provided to the State Board of Education at an upcoming meeting. Please be advised that NJQSAC regulations require the district board of education to report these placement results at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

I am pleased to inform you that your district has satisfied at least 80% of the weighted indicators in each of the five areas of the NJQSAC review process and has been designated as “high performing.” The Commissioner will recommend to the State Board of Education that the district be certified as providing a thorough and efficient system of education, for a period of three years or until the next NJQSAC review. Congratulations on this accomplishment.

Pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6A:30-4.1*, if you believe that any indicators were scored incorrectly, you have seven days from the receipt of this letter to submit a written reconsideration request and supporting documentation. Email your request and accompanying documents to [qsac@doe.nj.gov](mailto:qsac@doe.nj.gov).

Sincerely,

A. Robert Gregory  
Executive Director  
Division of Field Support and Services

ARG:CS: /initial review

Enclosures

c: Joseph Zarra, Executive County Superintendent