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**FUTURE
READY
SCHOOLS**
OF NEW JERSEY

WHAT IS FUTURE READY SCHOOLS- NJ

it is a certification program designed to promote transformational change in schools and districts throughout New Jersey. Whether they are public, private, or charter, FRS-NJ provides the guidance, support, direction, and resources schools need to achieve "Future Ready" goals, while fostering inclusive collaboration within schools and districts, and between them throughout the state.

The program is a coalition of the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE), the New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) and New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT). It is based on the work of the national Future Ready Schools initiative, and the structure and success of the Sustainable Jersey for Schools Certification Program.

FRS- NJ PURPOSE

We exist in an information age, powered by new technology connecting people, ideas, data, and content in rapidly-changing ways. As we work to prepare New Jersey's students for this world, we must ensure our schools provide them with the technology-rich environments they need in order to be engaged and successful members of a digital society and workforce.

To achieve this, New Jersey's schools need to establish a culture of digital innovation, where educators are empowered to deepen and extend student learning through the use of technology, digital content, and media That is why Future Ready Schools - New Jersey (FRS-NJ) was established.

ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS CERTIFICATION PROCESS

PHASE I: DISTRICT COMMITMENT

The District Commitment Phase ensures that school districts are dedicated to supporting their school's efforts, and that these efforts are collaborative. Once a district is committed, schools in the district can declare their participation and apply for certification. This is a rolling submission and can be completed at any time regardless of the status of the current certification cycle.

PHASE II: SCHOOL PARTICIPATION

The School Participation Phase features the establishment of the school-level Future Ready team and the official declaration of a school's participation in the certification program. This is a rolling submission and can be completed at any time regardless of the status of the current certification cycle.

PHASE III: SCHOOL PARTICIPATION

The School Certification Phase enables individual schools to apply for certification by taking actions that lead to success through the Future Ready Schools - New Jersey Indicators of Future Readiness. Each indicator is designed by a task force of NJ educators, leaders, and stakeholders to provide a framework for schools' efforts to best prepare their students for success in college, career, and citizenship, connects educators with potential resources to do so, and provides the recognition due for success through certification.

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