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TO: Chief School Administrators

ROUTE TO: School Business Administrators/Board Secretaries

FROM: Yut'se O. Thomas, Director
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SUBJECT: Change in September 2018 Special-Election Date

The statutory date of the September 2018 special school election is Tuesday, September 25, 2018, which coincides with the second day of Sukkot; a full day of religious observance. *N.J.S.A. 19:60-2* provides the Commissioner of Education the authority to change a special school election date when it coincides with a period of religious observance.

In examining possible alternate school election dates, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) has taken into consideration all religious observances following September 25. After careful consideration, the NJDOE has changed the September 2018 special school election date to **Tuesday, October 2, 2018**. Please be aware that the 2018-19 Budget and Election Calendar, upon release, will reflect the changed special-election date.

For questions about the change to the statutory special school election date, contact the NJDOE's Office of School Facilities and Finance at budget@doe.state.nj.us.

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