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## **Christie Administration Announces Emergent Repairs To Begin at Three Paterson Schools**

TRENTON – Furthering Governor Christie's commitment to ensuring that students attend safe and healthy schools, the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) has approved the start of construction of emergent repair projects at a high school, an early childhood center and an elementary school in Paterson.

A \$328,000 general construction contract was awarded to Robert Ganter Contractors, Inc. to replace the roof at the Sage Adult High School.

A \$215,000 general construction contract was awarded to Grafas Painting Contractors to repair and replace a plaza deck at the 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue Early Childhood Center.

A \$109,900 general construction contract was awarded to Binsky and Snyder Services, LLC to repair a boiler at Public School #10.

Emergent projects are those deemed necessary in SDA Districts due to health and safety issues. The schools were inspected by the SDA and the Department of Education (DOE), which authorized the repairs.

The SDA designs, constructs and fully funds new and renovated schools in SDA Districts. Emergent repair projects are either managed by the SDA or delegated to SDA Districts. The SDA currently has seven SDA District schools in active construction and 133 emergent projects.

Since its inception, the school construction program has completed 623 projects in SDA Districts. In addition to 55 new schools, it has provided funding for 46 extensive additions, renovations and/or rehabilitations; six demonstration projects and more than 500 other projects. Also, it has completed 25 projects in Regular Operating Districts: seven new schools and 18 extensive additions, renovations and/or rehabilitations.