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## **New Jersey Schools Development Authority Receives Award for Trenton Central High School Project**

**Trenton, NJ** - The New Jersey Schools Development Authority (NJSDA) today received a “New Jersey’s Leading Infrastructure Projects” award from the New Jersey Alliance for Action for the new Trenton Central High School. The new Trenton Central High School, now in construction, is part of the State’s efforts to revitalize the city of Trenton. NJSDA Chief Executive Officer Charles McKenna accepted the award on behalf of the Authority.

“This new school will enhance the educational opportunities available to Trenton students, illustrate the State of New Jersey’s commitment to investing in their future and work to foster economic development in Trenton,” said NJSDA CEO Charles McKenna. “We are honored to accept this award that rightfully acknowledges the positive impact this facility will have in the surrounding community.”

According to the New Jersey Alliance for Action, “the *‘New Jersey’s Leading Infrastructure Projects’* award program was created to highlight innovative, pioneering and landmark construction initiatives that greatly impact the state’s economy and to honor the businesses and organizations that work together as partners to ensure the project’s success.”

The new Trenton Central High School will be a 374,000 square-foot school designed to educate 1,900 students in grades 10 through 12. The school will include five Small Learning Communities (SLC) and provide Career Technical Education programs related to Health Sciences, Culinary Arts, Construction, Physical Fitness and Automotive Technology. Each SLC will consist of 10 classrooms, two science labs, one art/project lab, five specialized instructional areas, a learning resource center and support areas. In addition, the school will include a gymnasium, auxiliary gymnasium, swimming pool, dance studio, fitness center, weight room, cafeteria, media center, auditorium and two ROTC classrooms. It is anticipated construction will be completed and the school will open in September 2019. The total estimated SDA project cost for the new school is \$155.4 million.

To date, the SDA has invested more than \$210 million in completed projects in Trenton alone including seven capital projects (Columbus E.S., Joyce Kilmer E.S., MLK/Jefferson E.S., Gregory E.S., Mott E.S., PJ Hill E.S., Parker E.S.) and one demonstration project (Daylight/Twilight Alternative High School). Its current portfolio of active projects is valued at approximately \$2 billion – including the Capital Project portfolio, emergent projects and Regular Operating District grants.

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