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SIXTH-GRADER AT PUBLIC SCHOOL NO. 21 ACCEPTED INTO PRESTIGIOUS SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Anel Cabrera Moya named as one of 25 students to enter NJ SEEDS’ Young Scholars Program

PATerson – Superintendent of Schools Eileen F. Shafer today announced that Anel Cabrera Moya, a sixth-grader at Public School No. 21, is one of 25 students accepted into the Young Scholars Program, which is run by NJ SEEDS. NJ SEEDS (Scholars, Educators, Excellence, Dedication, Success) is a nonprofit organization that prepares motivated, high-achieving, low-income students for admission to private schools and colleges. The organization strives to ensure that their students receive financial aid from the schools they attend covering 90 to 100 percent of expenses.

“I warmly congratulate Anel on her acceptance into the Young Scholars Program. This is a significant step forward in her education and in broadening the opportunities that she will have to further her education,” said Shafer, who called Cabrera Moya on Saturday to congratulate her. “Anel’s acceptance into the program is a result of her hard work in school. It is also the result of the devotion of her parents – Nelson Cabrera and Ana Moya – and the dedication of her teachers, guidance counselors and administrators. I want to congratulate them and thank them for all they have done to help Anel achieve her very best.”

Cabrera Moya will begin the Young Scholars Program with a five-week session this summer. She will continue participating on Saturdays through the next academic year, and participate in a second summer session next year. In order to be accepted into the program, Cabrera Moya had to submit standardized test scores, behavioral assessments, writing samples and portfolio of student of achievement. Also, she and her parents were interviewed by the program’s admission committee.

Cabrera Moya also submitted a recommendation from Elissa Barry, her literacy teacher. Her guidance counselor, Siobhan Simpson, provided the required reports and assessment data. She also had the unfailing support of her parents, Nelson Cabrera and Ana Moya, and School 21 Principal JoAnne Riviello.

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