

THE NEWARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD

**A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING PESHINE AVENUE ELEMENTARY  
ON THE  
SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS STEM EDUCATION  
INITIATIVE**

**PURPOSE:** To recognize Peshine Avenue Elementary for successfully exposing and introducing its students to the importance of STEM technology through the Samsung emPower Tomorrow initiative.

**WHEREAS,** Peshine Avenue Elementary is helping to interest girls in STEM subjects and is helping them to consider STEM fields as an option for their futures; AND

**WHEREAS,** Samsung has provided a \$50,000 technology grant to increase access to STEM education at Peshine Avenue Elementary; AND

**WHEREAS,** research indicates that unless girls believe they can do math and science by 4<sup>th</sup> grade, they will never have the opportunity to enter the STEM pipeline; AND

**WHEREAS,** a mere 18 percent of Bachelor's degrees in computer science were earned by women in 2012; AND

**WHEREAS,** one of the quickest ways to fill this leaking STEM pipeline is to engage females in STEM subjects and careers; AND

**WHEREAS,** students in classes using STEM strategies are more engaged, have higher test scores and are able to build the types of skills they will need for long-term success; AND

**WHEREAS,** in our increasingly global society, a STEM education and the skills it develops will propel today's students toward success in college, careers and citizenship.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NEWARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD** that Peshine Avenue Elementary is to be lauded for its exemplary implementation of the Samsung emPower Tomorrow STEM education initiative.

Respectfully submitted,

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