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Congressman Secured Funds To Help School Grow And Enroll More Students

Englewood, NJ - In an effort to help Academies@Englewood continue to become an even finer educational institution and enroll more students, Congressman Steve Rothman (D-NJ9) today announced that he has secured \$300,000 in federal funds for the magnet school to hire new teachers.

Academies@Englewood is a bold plan to create a center for academic excellence in Englewood that will serve students not only from Englewood, but as a magnet school for students throughout Bergen County," said Rothman, who used his position as a member of the House Appropriations Committee to secure the funds. "With these federal funds in place, Academies@Englewood will be able to hire new teachers to teach the growing number of students. Students there will have the opportunity to focus on and excel at one of the school's four specialized tracts - finance, information systems, law and public safety (pre-law), and pre-engineering."

This is the first school year that Academies@Englewood, which is a magnet school at Englewood's Dwight Morrow High School, has been operational. The school currently has roughly 125 students, with approximately half from Englewood and the other half from towns across Bergen County. The grant Rothman secured was necessary because when the school opens its door this coming fall, it will need to have enough teachers to handle the number of students in the new freshman class plus the current first-year students.

In developing Academies@Englewood, we are stressing excellence and putting our children's education first," Rothman said. "These federal dollars will allow more students to obtain an extraordinary education, while at the same time relieving some of the tax burden on local property taxpayers."

The funds for Academies@Englewood were included in the final appropriations bill for Fiscal Year 2003 that Congress approved and President Bush signed into law in February.

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