

### I-80 S-Curve

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(Trenton) listen to the public, not just take our tax money and say, "shut up we know better". Those days need to be over with, so now we have what \$65 Million and squeeze down the lanes. You don't think the probability that by their own actions they are not going to cause more harm. You better believe it is going to happen. That's a sad thing, they should be smarter than that.

August 12, 2020 - WC Freeholder board meeting during a discussion about passing a Resolution Asking the NJDOT to Fix The I-80 S-Curve:

"This board is listening to the public, the DOT in turn should be listening to the public and not be just a bureaucratic agency to jettison the taxpayer money any which way they want to. I think it is outrageous, and it is unacceptable...I think it would be a real tragedy to blast....Tammany...overtime it will create more circumstance of rock falls....and detract for the beautiful Delaware Water Gap...to take away from the beauty is reprehensible."

July 22, 2020 - NJDOT I-80 Rockfall Plan Bi-State Summit:

"I'm not so cavalier to realize that we don't need to improve the safety of Route 80, particularly in that area, but to build an extensive, costly..... \$65 million plus...four- to five-year project.

## Bangor Area School District

### Slater Standout of the Month Award

Mrs. Susan Fukushima

Mrs. Priscilla Pecca

#### Mrs. Susan Fukushima

Mrs. Susan Fukushima is our November 2020 Professional Staff Slater Stand Out. As a valued member of the Bangor Area Middle School staff, she is truly dedicated to her profession and goes above and beyond for her students and colleagues. She has high expectations for her students, yet she has an amazing ability to help students grasp concepts. If students struggle, or need additional support, she often gives up her lunchtime to hold study sessions. She even has students from previous years who return to her for help in math, and she willingly gives up her own time to help them. Mrs. Fukushima is a "cheerleader" for all staff and students. She always comes up with creative ways to celebrate successes and holidays. She often makes teachers T-shirts to enhance team unity. One of the t-shirts she created was "We've got your back" to promote unity and positivity amongst a team of students. For an "Outsiders Day", Mrs. Fukushima created t-shirts that read "Stay Gold". She never forgets a holiday; always having a personal note and/or treat available for her students. Whether it be her students, support staff or professional staff, Mrs. Fukushima is continuously thinking of others. Overall, what sets Mrs. Fukushima apart from others is her big heart, her funny, slightly sarcastic personality, and her willingness to go above and beyond for her students and colleagues. She truly cares about all of us and wants the best for the BAMS and Bangor Community as a whole!

#### Mrs. Priscilla Pecca

Mrs. Priscilla Pecca is our November 2020 Support Staff Slater Stand Out. Ms. Pecca is an 18 year employee of Bangor Area School District in the role of paraprofessional and has been an outstanding asset. She takes initiative and goes above and beyond. She has come up with ideas and made materials for students with complex support needs. Mrs. Pecca is a natural at adapting and modifying work for all students and has a strong commitment to helping students learn no matter their ability. Not only does she make sure students are a member in a class, she makes sure they are participating and learning. Mrs. Pecca works with difficult students without complaining and has even worked extra hours no matter which student she is placed with. She is definitely a team player! Mrs. Pecca supported a student on as a one-on-one and her responsibility was to that student only; however, whenever possible, Mrs. Pecca helps other students in the classroom, even though it wasn't an expected duty. She is the first to volunteer to do a job to help out. For example, if there is another para absent but there is a need to support another student, Mrs. Pecca is the first to offer her services. She is an amazing asset and wonderful helping hand in the classroom. Overall, Mrs. Pecca is a valued member of the BAMS community!

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