



# Public Schools of Plainfield New Jersey

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### **KEAN UNIVERSITY INSTANT ADMISSIONS DAY AT PAAAS**

*Over 20 students were accepted today for the fall semester*

**Plainfield, NJ – December 19, 2018** – Members of the Class of 2019 who are headed to college in the fall, received great news today during Kean University’s Instant Admission Day at Plainfield Academy for the Arts and Advanced Studies (PAAAS).

Over twenty students were accepted during interviews with Daniel Flores, Kean University Admissions Director. “I’m glad to provide all the students with decisions today to Kean University and to welcome them to a world-class education.”

For many this is their first college acceptance and it means a lot to them.

Brian Bejarano, 18, the youngest of four siblings to Jose Bejarano and Marta Huertas, and who is interested in going college for biology and medicine, this is very exciting because he has been looking at Kean’s physician assistant program because he loves helping others.

“It’s my first acceptance and I am really excited about it. Especially for the program Kean University has. It is amazing for me to be accepted and to have the opportunity to go there. I have always been interested in helping others and I have been looking at Kean University’s Physician Assistant program.”

Bejarano expects to receive an official notice from Kean early next year; and at that time he will have to weigh the offers from other schools he has applied to, Caldwell University, Fairleigh Dickinson, Seton Hall and Rutgers.

For Aaryn Brooks, Kean’s admission is the fourth early admissions offer she has received. She said for her mom Monifa Jones, and her sisters, this is going to be a proud moment because “she knows this is something I have been working hard for. My mom is excited. It means a lot.”

PAAAS Guidance Counselor Denise Krok organized the instant decision day. “It was so exciting to prepare the students for today’s event with Kean University. I am so proud of all of the applicants and how they conducted themselves during the interviews. The excitement when they walked out of their interview was electric,” she said.

Principal Dr. Angela Bento said everyone was excited for the students. “I am so excited for them. This is a tremendous partnership with Kean, and they are close to home, so the students can commute, they can still work. So, they are really excited and so am I.”

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*Courtesy of PAAAS*

Bottom row: Yanely Tepepa Rosales, Jamie Suarez, Aaryn Brooks.

Middle row: Sabrina Williams, Melissa Arevalo, Shaylah Boyd, Ajaleen Frazier.

Back row: Christino Barbosa, Jaded Baracaldo, Patrick Bran-Castillo, Jason Ramirez, Ferdy Concha, Daniel Geter, Zahkir Taylor, Brian Bejarano, Briana Richards, Kenneth Nobles, Chante Whyte.

