

Congressman Rothman Hosts "Read Across America" Event at Cliffside Park's School

(Cliffside Park, NJ)

— On Monday, March 9, 2009, Congressman Steve Rothman (D — Fair Lawn) tapped in to his inner child and worked up his best Dr. Seuss impersonation while reading *The Lorax* to a group of 4th grade students from Cliffside Park's No. 3 School. Rothman visited the school as part of the National Education Association's (NEA) annual "Read Across America" program, coordinated locally by the New Jersey Education Association and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

"This is one of the best parts of my job," said Rothman. "I love reading to children. We all know that reading is the foundation for students that enables them to succeed in school and in life. It is our collective responsibility as parents, teachers, neighbors and elected representatives to ensure that our children thrive in our public schools, and the "Read Across America" program is an excellent resource to help us reach that goal."

The 12th annual "Read Across America" campaign kicked-off nationally on March 2nd, celebrating what would have been Dr. Seuss's 105th birthday. More than 45 million children and adults are expected to take part in this year's reading motivation and awareness program nationwide.

Additional information is available at: <http://www.nea.org/home/886.htm>.

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