



# Auburn Enlarged City School District

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) requires that parents/guardians who have children attending schools identified as needing improvement be notified of the school's academic achievement. The purpose of this letter is to notify you as well as provide additional information on the options available to your child under ESSA.

The Auburn Enlarged City School District has been designated a FOCUS district by the New York State Education Department. This designation is the result of students with disabilities and students who are economically disadvantaged within our district not meeting performance targets set by the state in English language arts/literacy and mathematics combined. This designation is also a result of the district graduation rate not meeting state targets. The Auburn Enlarged City School District is entering its fifth year of the FOCUS District improvement process.

### ***Public School Choice Option***

As a result of the FOCUS designation, you are eligible to transfer your child to another school that is not a FOCUS school. However, since all of the schools in our district are FOCUS schools, and neighboring school systems have declined to enter into a Cooperative Agreement to provide Public School Choice, this is not an option for our students. As a result, there is no action for you to take this school year regarding Public School Choice.

We promise to continue using all resources available to us to support the continued growth toward proficiency on the Common Core Learning Standards. In order to be successful with this effort, parental involvement and engagement is extremely important. We will continue to monitor student progress and set high expectations for learning across the district. If you are interested in additional information, or if you have questions, please contact Dr. Leela George, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction at 315.255.8819 or [leela\\_george@auburn.cnyric.org](mailto:leela_george@auburn.cnyric.org).

Thank you for continuing to partner with educators in the district to support your child's educational experience.

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