



SCHENECTADY CITY SCHOOLS

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August 25, 2009

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child's school has been designated by the New York State Education Department as a School In Need of Improvement. This designation alone does not indicate a failing school, but provides a focus on areas for school improvement by principals, teachers, and parents. Identified schools then become eligible for additional support from the District and State as they work to improve teaching and learning, attendance, graduation, or participation in testing.

Under the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, when a school is designated as a School In Need of Improvement by the State, parents have the options of:

- remaining at the school and actively participating in the school improvement process,
- remaining at the school and applying for after-school supplemental services, or
- seeking enrollment in one of the designated schools listed below.

Based on your child's current grade level and address, the following schools are available:

6th grade	Blodgett (Katherine Burr) 520 Bradt Street Schenectady, New York 12306 Principal, Nancy Fontaine: 518-881-3950
6th grade	Roosevelt (Franklin Delano) 570 Lansing Street Schenectady, New York 12303 Principal, Connie DuVerney:518-881-3970

If you would like more information about either school, you are encouraged to contact the principal at the number above. If your child's application to enroll in this school is approved, the school district will provide transportation services based on the district's transportation policy.

We have worked very hard to improve the academic achievement of all of our students, and are initiating a variety of changes at the district and school levels to support academic achievement. We have demonstrated that the classroom is the most important place in our district, and we are working hard to support our families, teachers, and principals as they improve teaching and learning for all children.

If you choose to apply for a transfer, complete the attached form and return it to Lori McKenna at the address below. We must receive your response no later than August 5, 2009. If you need assistance or have questions, please call me, the Director for Federal and State Programs @ 518-881-3405.

Sincerely,



Lori A. McKenna

Send completed form to:

Keane Administrative Offices

Lori McKenna,

Director for Federal and State Programs

1252 Albany Street

Schenectady, New York 12304

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT TRANSFER REQUEST FORM

Return to the Schenectady City School District

PLEASE NOTE: There is **no guarantee** that your child will be able to enroll in another school if you submit this form. According to the New York State Education and NCLB regulations, students who have low test scores and low income will have priority.

Submitting this form indicates your preference to have your child enrolled in another school. Your response is due by August 5, 2009.

I request that my child be considered for transfer to the following school and grade.

Blodgett (Katherine Burr) _____

Roosevelt (Franklin Delano) _____

6th grade _____

– If you wish to have your child stay at his/her current school, NO RESPONSE IS NECESSARY. –

_____ Parent/Guardian Name (please print)	_____ Student Name (please print)	
_____ Parent/Guardian Signature	_____ Date	_____ Telephone Number