



WEST SENECA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Northwood Families,

Throughout the year, staff at Northwood Elementary School assesses our students' progress in meeting desired educational outcomes and opportunities for all children. We evaluate our schools' progress at the local level, as well as at the state level through its accountability system, the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). As such, the purpose of this letter is to provide you with information related to the accountability status of Northwood under ESSA.

The New York State Education Department (NYSED) recently released new accountability designations for school districts and individual schools across the state to measure school performance as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act. There are numerous indicators used to measure school performance which include academic achievement based on the New York State ELA and Math Assessments, student growth and school progress, student attendance and others. Henceforth, Northwood Elementary School has been identified by NYSED as a school in need of "Targeted Support and Improvement" (TSI) which is reflective of a small segment of our overall student population.

The intent of this designation is to improve educational outcomes for all students, close achievement gaps, increase equity, and improve the quality of instruction. As a designated TSI school, Northwood is required to develop a comprehensive plan that specifically addresses how the school will improve student achievement.

The School Comprehensive Education Plan (SCEP) will focus on the following areas:

- Needs Assessment
- Improvement Planning
- School Support
- Required Actions
- Professional Learning

We view this as an opportunity to grow as a learning community and look forward to strengthening our partnership with you and our stakeholders in order to ensure we are providing a strong educational opportunity for all students.

In partnership,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mrs. Angela A. Ferri".

Mrs. Angela A. Ferri