



Brushton-Moira Central School District

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Per Federal Title I notification requirements, ESEA 1116 requirements, and New York State Education Department the following information is required to be shared with you. For the 2017-18 school year, Brushton-Moira Central School has been identified as a “focus district” and as such provides you with the following information. First, BMC has been identified as a focus district because a certain percentage of our students with special needs did not meet adequate yearly progress as measured by New York State Test Scores. Secondly, Title I regulations require that school districts with a “focus district” status inform all parents of their school district’s status and school choice options or reasons why the focus district has no available school choice options.

Currently, the single building district in Brushton, New York is the only **public** school within the geographic boundaries of the Brushton-Moira Central School District and therefore a second public school of choice is not currently available. Holy Family, a **private Catholic School** in Malone NY, may be something you wish to consider.

However, please know that a team of educators from BMC along with consultants from CVES BOCES have been working all summer to help implement changes in our instructional program to rectify this situation and continue to provide all students with a high quality educational program and to ensure that students who are economically disadvantaged receive the same high quality program from highly qualified teachers. Some of the interventions include vertical alignment of the writing curriculum, grades K-12, implementation of student engagement strategies Pre K-12. Also, establishment of a common math program, Go Math, at grades K-4, and redesigning grade 5 to self-contained classrooms with more AIS instruction provided to all grades.

Should you need or desire any additional information about BMC’s “focus district” status or about school choice options for your child(ren), please feel free to contact Mr. Dean Yando, Principal, Title I Coordinator or Mrs. Donna Andre, Superintendent.

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