

## **ALBANY PARENTS' RIGHTS UNDER THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT**

### **TUTORING AND OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

The federal *No Child Left Behind* Act requires the Albany school district to offer supplemental educational services, such as after-school tutoring, free of charge to students attending certain failing public schools. Parents seeking tutoring or other supplemental educational services should call:

**Brighter Choice Public School Choice Project – (518) 694-5010**

The New York State Education Department has approved 36 supplemental service providers for Albany. Contact information for these providers, including the grade levels served by each, is available in Attachment C.

### **OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRANSFER OPTIONS**

Because both district-run middle schools in Albany are currently classified as failing, the federal *No Child Left Behind* Act encourages the District to contract with other local school districts to allow students to transfer to a non-failing school in those neighboring districts. According to an article in the *Albany Times Union* in March 2003, “district officials say they are talking with BOCES planners to see which neighboring districts, such as Bethlehem, South Colonie or North Colonie might accept transfers,” (Rick Karlin, “Schools Sought for Would-Be Transfers,” March 13, 2003, p. B5). Parents seeking to transfer their children from a failing district school to a non-failing public school located outside of Albany should call:

**Albany City School District Guidance and Attendance Office – (518) 462-7210  
or the Brighter Choice Public School Choice Project – (518) 694-5010**

### **PROBLEMS OR QUESTIONS?**

Albany Public Schools Superintendent Eva Joseph may be reached at **(518) 462-7200**. Contact phone numbers for members of the Albany Board of Education may be found online at [www.albanyschools.org/Board/BoardMembers.html](http://www.albanyschools.org/Board/BoardMembers.html) or by calling the District at **(518) 462-7200**.

The independent Brighter Choice Public School Choice Project also is available to answer questions and provide additional information, and may be reached toll-free at **(518) 694-5010**.