

Explanation of **Contract for Excellence** and *Request for Comment 2009*

Monticello Central School District has been designated as a Contract for Excellence (C4E) school district by New York State. As part of our requirements as a C4E district, we must spend a portion of our state aid, specifically \$2,920,539, to sustain new programs and innovations we have put in place over the last two years.

To comply with these rules, we plan to spend this money in our schools as follows:

- Monticello High School will continue to restructure. We will continue all programs implemented over the last two years.
- Rutherford and Cooke Elementary Schools are now in good standing. We will continue to provide smaller class sizes and staff development to sustain their success.
- Duggan Elementary School will continue to build on their success with the International Baccalaureate program and reduced class sizes.

At the District level, we will continue to sustain the programs that we have developed over the last two years. Students from throughout the district will benefit from these programs. All of the schools mentioned are considered Title I schools, which means they have a high poverty rate. Chase Elementary School did not directly benefit from these funds due to the fact that they are not a targeted school.

We are required by law to present our plan and request public commentary on this year's Contract for Excellence. Please e-mail Superintendent of Schools Dr. Patrick Michel at pmichel@k12mcsd.net with any questions, comments or ideas you would like to share. This public notice will be open for 30 days.