



ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF  
**TROY**

**TODAY'S STUDENTS. TOMORROW'S LEADERS.**

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Dear Parents and Guardians of Students in School 2:

In April 2015, a new section, 211-f, was added to New York State Education Law. This new law identifies schools that have been in the most severe accountability status since the 2006-2007 school year as “Persistently Struggling” and further identifies schools that have been Priority Schools since 2012-2013 as “Struggling”. Because of its designation as a Priority School since 2012-2013, School 2 is now considered a “Struggling” school, and has been placed into Receivership.

Under this identification, the Superintendent acts as the Receiver for two years and is granted additional authority to improve the academic performance and to meet the mandates required under this new law. An important part of this process is family and community engagement. **There will be a public hearing on September 15, 2015, at School 2, at 5pm, to further discuss Receivership and how it will impact School 2, as well as to answer any questions you may have.**

The Troy City School District is committed to each and every student reaching his or her full potential and we are encouraged by the incremental improvements in achievement that have been made by the School 2 community over the last three years. We realize, however, that there is still much work to be done. The vision at School 2 is “*All Students Achieving at Academic Proficiency*”. We look forward to utilizing the resources available to us under Receivership as we partner with our School 2 families in moving the school forward and making this vision a reality for all of our students.

Should you have any questions or concerns prior to the hearing please feel free to contact my office or visit the New York State Education Department website at:

<http://p12.nysed.gov/accountability/de/SchoolReceivership.html>

Sincerely,

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