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New York Mills Union Free School District

Procedures to Inform Parents of Focus District Status:

Immediately upon receiving preliminary notification of the school district's Focus District status, the following steps were taken:

- A) January 26, 2016 – Receipt of Preliminary Accountability Status of Focus District Designation Letter from NYSED - Review of the accountability status of the district and our schools, along with the data files that served as the basis for the accountability determinations.
- B) February 1, 2016 – Administration Participates in NYSED Focus District Webinar,
- C) February 8 – Formal Appeal of Focus District Designation.
- D) February 9 – 24 - Review of the requirements for Focus Districts in order to be prepared to act if the district's designation remains unchanged after appeal.
- E) February 25 – Appeal denied, Receipt of final designation as Focus District, interview with Utica Observer-Dispatch,
- F) March 9 – Presentation of First Focus District Forum for Parents - MOBOCES Data Analyst, Data Team Leader present with Superintendent.
- G) March 10-12– Superintendent Attends NYSED Focus District Institute, Albany
- H) March 15-17 - Superintendent Attends School Review in Albany to prepare for DTSDE Process
- I) March 23 – Focus District Notification to all Parents via e-mail, mail, and website; 2nd Focus District Forum for Parents, MOBOCES presentations from Data Team Leader and Policy Service Representative
- J) March 31 – Superintendent participates in 2nd Focus District Webinar
- K) April 22 – Appeal to the Commissioner of Focus District Designation
- L) May 4-5 – Superintendent attends 2nd NYSED Focus District Institute, Albany
- M) May 10-12 – New York Mills UFSD Focus District Review (DTSDE)