

PARTNERSHIP

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"Working for Safe Schools and Healthy Communities"

On Wednesday, January 22, 2004, the New York State Education Department announced that the Partnership for Results, Inc. (formerly known as the Cayuga County Safe Schools/Healthy Students Partnership) will receive a 21st Century Community Learning Centers program award to promote positive youth development in the community. This award will enable the Partnership to continue and to expand its productive collaborations with the Auburn Enlarged City School District, Cayuga-Onondaga B.O.C.E.S., and many community-based organizations, including the Booker T. Washington Community Center. The exact amount of funding will be determined during a contracting process between the Partnership and the New York State Education Department, but it is anticipated that the award will be for approximately \$450,000 per year for five years.

The principal goals of Auburn's 21st Century Community Learning Center program are to improve: (1) student interest in education and academic achievement levels; (2) adult literacy and employment skills; and (3) the abilities of parents to communicate effectively with their children. The program will include the following school-based activities:

- ◆ After-school programs, which involve educational enrichment, creative arts, and recreational activities for third through fifth grade students at Casey Park and Genesee Street Elementary Schools and sixth through eighth grade students at West Middle School;
- ◆ Adult literacy courses;
- ◆ Adult computer skills and other targeted vocation education programs;
- ◆ Parenting skills workshops (Every Person Influences Children (EPIC) and Guiding Good Choices);
- ◆ Individual assessment, counseling, and service integration activities, provided by the Partnership's Mobile Outreach Services Team (MOST); and
- ◆ Substance abuse and violence prevention programming.

The award will also permit the Partnership to continue its support of the Career Connections Camp, a summer vocational awareness program initiated by Cayuga-Onondaga B.O.C.E.S. for students entering fifth through eighth grade.

The 21st Century Community Learning Centers program is authorized under Title IV, Part B, of the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. The program is administered in New York State by the New York State Education Department.