

CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Cortland Families and Community:

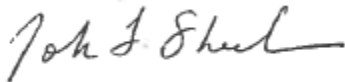
The New York State Department's Office of Special Education has initiated a Special Education Programs and Services Focused Review, within the Cortland Enlarged City Schools, during the 2015-2016 school year. The purpose of the review is to assess the district's compliance with selected federal and New York State laws and regulations governing the education of students with disabilities.

The review will be conducted by the Special Education Quality Assurance (SEQA) Central Regional Office. The process will involve a review of school records of a representative sample of students with disabilities, classroom visitations, and surveys. In addition, meetings of the committee on special education will be observed.

We are collaborating with New York State Department of Education and anticipate growing from their insights pertaining to our special education programs. As a school community, we remain committed to being child-centered and providing the highest quality of educational programs and services for all children. We ask that if you are contacted by the SEQA office that you participate within the process to the greatest extent that is possible for you and your family.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns you may contact me at (607)-758-4100 or visit me at any upcoming Coffee Hour. You may also contact Ms. Karen Volpi, Regional Associate, New York State Education Department at (315)-428-4556.

Warmest Regards,



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