Make **Primary Mental Health Project** a **Legislative Priority** for the NY State Budget for **$1.25 Million***

Primary Project focuses on children’s social and emotional health and supports greater academic success

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**The Foundation for Academic Success**

**ATENDANCE**

Chronic attendance problems interfere with learning

**ENGAGEMENT**

1 in 5 children have behavior problems that prevent learning

**ATTENDANCE**

improved 22%

**SOCIAL SKILLS**

improved in 6 of 10 children

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Help New York State’s Children Succeed in School and Life!

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*Increase the Aid to Localities Education Budget line item for Primary Mental Health Project from $894,000 to $1.25 million, an addition of $356,000.*
My son is now 30-years-old and benefited greatly from participating in Primary Project when he was younger. I started getting calls from his preschool teacher saying that he was acting out and a real distraction in class. His behavior worsened in kindergarten and we saw the same behaviors at home. We learned about Primary Project when his first grade teacher recommended him for the program. He really liked the one-on-one setting and the connection with the Child Associate and we saw a change in his behavior almost immediately. His teacher later observed that he was better able to settle down, focus on his work, and become friends easier with his classmates.

Before second grade, he dreaded going to school but his attitude changed after Primary Project. We started getting better reports from his teachers and he got high grades in high school. He graduated from college and is now a successful adult working in the engineering field. We feel that the turning point for him was participating in Primary Project and hope that other students can benefit from this valuable program.

—PARENT OF A FORMER PRIMARY PROJECT STUDENT
Schools offering PRIMARY PROJECT IN NEW YORK STATE

Alexander Central School District
Alexander Elementary School

Amherst Central School District
Smallwood Drive School
Windermere Boulevard School

Brighton Central School District
Council Rock Primary School
French Road Elementary School

Brockport Central School District
Ganter Elementary School

Buffalo Public Schools
PS 32 Bennett Park Montessori
PS 54 Dr. George E. Blackman
PS 64 Frederick Law Olmsted
PS 96 Campus West
PS 99 Stanley M. Makowski Early Childhood Center

Canandaigua City School District
Canandaigua Primary School

Carraghey Central School District
Black River Elementary School
Carthage Elementary School
West Carthage Elementary School

Charter School for Applied Technologies

Cheektowaga Central School District
Union East Elementary School

City School District of New Rochelle
Henry Barnard Early Childhood Center
Trinity Elementary School

Clyde Savannah Central School District
Clyde Elementary School

Cooperstown Central School District
Cooperstown Elementary School

Copenhagen Central School District
Copenhagen Central School

Deer Park Union Free School District
John Quincy Adams Elementary School
May Moore Elementary School

Discovery Charter School (Rochester)

Dolgeville Central School
Dolgeville Elementary School

East Syracuse Minoa Central School District
East Syracuse Minoa Elementary School
Woodland Elementary School

Fairport Central School District
Brooks Hill Elementary School
Dudley Elementary School
Jefferson Avenue Elementary School
Northside Elementary School

Freeport Public Schools
Columbus Avenue School
New Visions School

Geneseo Central School District
Geneseo Elementary School

Geneva City Schools
Geneva West Street Elementary School

Gowanda Central School District
Gowanda Elementary School

Groton Central School District
Groton Elementary School

Hadley-Luzerne Central School District
Hadley-Luzerne Elementary School

Hudson City School District
John L. Edwards Primary School
Montgomery C. Smith Intermediate School

Lake George Central School District
Lake George Elementary School

Lake Placid Central School District
Lake Placid Elementary School

Maine-Endwell School District
Homer Brink Elementary School
Maine Memorial Elementary School

Marion Central School District
Marion Elementary School

Milford Central School District
Milford Elementary School

New York City Department of Education
PS #1
PS #182: The Samantha Smith School

Newfield Central School
Newfield Elementary School

North Tonawanda City School District
Drake Elementary School
Meadow Elementary School
Ohio Elementary School
Spruce Elementary School

Northern Adirondack Central School District
Northern Adirondack Central Elementary School

Oney Public Schools
Liberty Elementary School
Valley Cottage Elementary School

Otego-Undilla Central School District
Otego Elementary School
Undilla Elementary School

Owego-Apalachin Central School District
Owego Elementary School

Palmyra-Macedon Central School District
Palmyra-Macedon Primary School

Phelps Clifton Springs Central School District
Midlakes Primary School

Pine Bush Central School District
Circleville Elementary School
E.J. Russell Elementary School
Pakanasink Elementary School
Pine Bush Elementary School

Poland Central School District
Poland Elementary School

Public Schools of the Tarrytowns
John Paulding School
W.L. Morse School

Renaissance Academy Charter

Ripley Central School
Ripley Central School

Rochester City School District
Abelard Reynolds School No. 42
Adai E. Stevenson School No. 29
Audubon School No. 33
Clara Barton School No. 2
Dr. Charles T. Lunsford School No. 19
Dr. Louis A. Cerulli School No. 34
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. School No. 9
Dr. Walter Cooper Academy No. 10
Early Childhood School of Rochester No. 57
Enrico Fermi School No. 17
Franklin Montessori School No. 53
Henry Hudson School No. 28
John Walter Spencer School No. 16
John Williams School No. 5
Lincoln Park School No. 44
Nathaniel Hawthorne School No. 25
Pinnacle School No. 35
Roberto Clemente School No. 8
The Children’s School No. 15
Theodore Roosevelt School No. 43
Virgil I. Grissom School No. 7
World of Inquiry School No. 58

Saugerties School District
Mt. Marion Elementary School

Shumamith School for Girls of Brooklyn

Sodus Central School District
Sodus Elementary School

South Buffalo Charter School
South Buffalo Charter School

South Seneca Central School District
South Seneca Elementary School

Southside Academy Charter School

Spackenkill Union Free School District
Nassau Elementary School

Sullivan West Central School District
Sullivan West Elementary School

Syracuse City School District
Bellevue Elementary School
Delaware Academy School
Delaware Primary School
Dr. Weeks Elementary School
Dr. King Elementary
Ed Smith K-8
Franklin Elementary School
Frazer K-8 School
Hughes Elementary School
Huntington K-8
HW Smith K-8
LeMoyno Elementary School
McKinley-Brighton Elementary School
Meachem Elementary School
Porter Elementary School
Roberts K-8
Salem Hyde Elementary School
Seymour Dual Language Academy
Syracuse Latin Elementary School
VanDuyne Elementary School
Webster Elementary School

The Renaissance Charter School (Jackson Heights)

Vctor Central School District
Victor Early Childhood Education Center
Victor Primary School

Whitesboro Central School District
Marcy Elementary School
Westmoreland Road Elementary School

Williamson Central School District
Williamson Elementary School

Williamsville Central School District
Country Parkway Elementary School
Dodge Elementary School
Forest Elementary School
Heim Elementary School
Maple East Elementary School
Maple West Elementary School

Yorkshire Pioneer Central School District
Pioneer Elementary at Arcade