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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As you may have heard, Jansen Avenue has been selected as a 2008 No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon School. This program honors schools that are either academically superior or that demonstrate dramatic gains in student achievement to high levels. Only twenty schools in New York State and three schools in the Capital District were selected to receive this award.

This distinction is an acknowledgement of the hard work of the Jansen Avenue Elementary School community; including district administration, teachers, staff and parents. It is a credit to our families who support our educational and school programs and continues to work with their children to encourage them to achieve at the highest levels.

I'd like to take this opportunity to both thank and congratulate you and your children for a job well done! I hope we can continue to work together to promote excellence in education for our children. We have much to be proud of and much to look forward to as we collaborate on the important task of teaching children to be lifelong learners and people of good character.

Sincerely,

Colleen Lester
Principal, Jansen Avenue Elementary