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SUBJECT: Herkimer County Video

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Many local districts have adopted effective approaches to moving clients from welfare to work. Herkimer County has a highly effective program which involves close collaboration between the Department of Social Services, Department of Labor, and a number of local educational agencies. Their success rate in this relatively new program is high.

The Department has prepared a 12 minute videotape showing the various aspects of Herkimer County's Jobs FIRST program. It includes interviews with the individuals responsible for the components of the overall program and details a variety of creative initiatives which have helped make their efforts successful. I believe that many local districts would benefit from viewing this video.

Any local district may obtain a copy free of charge by calling the OHRD Materials Resource Center at 518-473-8380 and asking for the Herkimer video. Please let your OFO regional official know your reaction to this video and any ideas from it you believe are applicable in your district.

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