

## School Updates: They're Making the Grade

A number of school districts listed in less positive categories on the *Pennsylvania School Breakfast Report Card* have made major strides in this new school year. We congratulate them and call attention to the positive changes they have made.

From the "Failing the Children" list we published this year, Dubois Area and Rockwood Area school districts began breakfast programs in all of their school buildings in September 2004.

From the "Failing the Children" list we published last December, Shamokin Area, Cranberry Area, Sayre Area, and Upper Adams school districts have all started breakfast programs.

Sayre also landed on our "Improvement Needed" list this year, but there is more to the story. Sayre began breakfast last year with a pilot in a small elementary school; this year they expanded to another building. We view their program as positive and growing. In this case, the numbers don't accurately reflect the progress.

Two other districts on this year's "Improvement Needed" list, Cranberry Area and Derry Area, are improving as well. This fall Cranberry began breakfast in its high school and Derry is increasing the size of its breakfast program.

Congratulations to these districts for realizing the value of breakfast, for putting children first and for giving educational achievement a boost!