

WHO WE ARE

The Capital Region BOCES operates one of the premier Risk Management Services in New York State. Currently, we serve 47 school districts and two BOCES spread over eight counties. We also operate a New York State Department of Health certified asbestos training facility. We have a staff of 12, and a 2009/10 operating budget of \$1,178,251.

Our service has established a team of professionals who, **together**, provide our schools with a wealth of occupational health & safety, and regulatory compliance expertise that they could never afford on their own.

Many of our professional staff work on site in the districts they serve, while other staff members are available on a "consultant" basis. Our staff works closely with school district leaders to:

- Improve student achievement through a safe, healthy learning environment.
- Assist district leaders with regulatory compliance to decrease district financial exposure.
- Maximize taxpayer dollars through a comprehensive school safety program.

Like every other service at BOCES, we exist to help our school districts improve the educational environment. In our case, we coordinate and implement school based programs that create a safety-conscious atmosphere in your school and minimize financial losses due to environmental problems -- both of which are essential elements in creating a sound educational system. As a result, our task is much more complicated than that of the traditional occupational health and safety professional -- and far more important to the mission of our public schools and the students they serve!