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Governor Spitzer has clearly shown that his administration is focused on curing the ills of our educational system and providing our children with the best possible education.

By creating a Deputy Secretary for Education, by promoting Universal Pre-K and smaller class sizes, by calling for an increase in the charter school cap from 100 to 250 but also providing transition aid to those districts with a high percentage of students in charter schools, the Governor has shown that he understands the importance of a quality education.

And by demanding greater accountability from our schools and administrators, the Governor has shown he understands the plight of New York's taxpayers, as well.
