Pittsford racism flare-up sparks families to find their voices in other districts

“I feel unwelcome in that school. It feels like I’m shut down, all because I’m not them. I don’t have the same skin as them. ... They treat me like garbage.”

10-YEAR-OLD HASAN MASSEY JR. ; FOURTH GRADER AT FRENCH ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, BRIGHTON EVERY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN MONROE COUNTY, INCLUDING THE ROCHESTER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, HAS RECOGNIZED THE NEED TO CONFRONT RACIAL DISCRIMINATION WITHIN ITS CLASSROOMS.

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Hasan Massey Jr. comforts his younger brother, Joseph Sardo, after he became emotional listening to his older brother and father talk about racism the 10-year-old faces at French Road Elementary School in Brighton. MAX SCHULTE/ROCHESTER DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE