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## Parent Notification Letter Right to Request Information on Teacher Qualifications As Required Under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

On December 10, 2015, the *Every Student Succeeds Act* (ESSA) was signed into law. Section 1111(h)(6)(A) states that as a parent of a student in a Title I school, receiving Title I funds, has the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers instructing your child. Federal law requires the school division to provide you this information in a timely manner if you request it. Specifically, you have the right to request the following information about each of your child's classroom teachers:

- Whether the teacher meets the state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grades and subjects he or she teaches.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status because of special circumstances.
- The teacher's college major, whether the teacher has any advanced degrees, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree.
- Whether paraprofessionals provide services to your child and, if so, their qualifications.

If you would like to receive any of this information, please contact your child's school principal. Sincerely,

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Administrator of Literacy Programs