

## Parents' Right to Know Notification Letter for Licensed and Properly Endorsed Teacher Status

Dear Title | Parent or Guardian,

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) requires all teachers to be highly qualified.

Your child currently attends a school that receives funds from the Title I, Part A program. Title I, Part A is a federal supplemental program designed to help children reach high academic standards. In receiving funds from this program, the district has a requirement to inform you, as a parent or guardian of a child attending a Title I school, of information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's teacher. A highly qualified teacher is defined as a teacher that meets Virginia's qualification and licensing criteria for the grade level or subject area in which the teacher is providing instruction. At this time all the teachers and paraprofessionals responsible for instructing your child maintain a highly qualified status.

However, as a parent or guardian you have the right to request the professional qualifications of your child's teacher or paraprofessional. If you wish to do so, please put this request in writing and submit it to the building principal. You will receive a written response within ten school days from the receipt of your request.

The intent of this letter is to continue open and transparent communication regarding the qualifications of the Patrick County Teaching Staff. Patrick County School System works to provide parents with information to continue strengthening home-school bonds. In this way we can, together, provide every child a high-quality education.

Sincerely,

Andrea Cassell

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