

Right-to-Know Letter

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Chester Charter Scholars Academy receives Federal Title I funds to assist students in meeting state achievement standards. This letter lets you know about your right to request information about the qualifications of the classroom and building staff working with your child.

At CCSA, we are very proud of our teachers and feel they are ready for the coming school year, and are prepared to give your child a high-quality education. As a Title I School, we must meet federal regulations related to teacher qualifications as defined in ESEA. These regulations allow you to learn more about your child's teachers' training and credentials. This letter is to inform you of your right to ask for the following information about your children's classroom teachers or paraprofessionals:

- Whether Pennsylvania has licensed the Teacher for the grades and subjects he or she teaches.
- Weather the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which Pennsylvania licensing criteria have been waived.
- The Teacher's baccalaureate degree major and whether the Teacher has any advance degrees, and if so, the subject of the degrees.
- Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), which was signed into law in December 2015 and reauthorizes the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1956 (ESEA), includes additional right-to-know requests. At any time parents and family members can request:

- Information on policies regarding student participation in assessments and procedures for opting out
- Information on required assessments including subject matter tested, purpose of the test, source of the requirement (if applicable), amount of time it takes students to complete the test, and time and format of disseminating results.

If you would like to receive specific information about assessments or your child's Teacher or Paraprofessional, please contact Mrs. Watts at (610) 859-3010 or via email at: awatts@CCSAscholars.org.

The Chester Charter Scholars Academy is fully committed to the success of your child. We appreciate your partnership in our efforts to provide the best education for your child.

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