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Dear Parents and Guardians:

In accordance with Parents Right-To Know requirement under the *Every Student Succeeds Act* – *ESSA*, *Section 1112(e)(l)(A)* this notification from Western Heights Public Schools to every parent/guardian of a student in a Title I school that you **have the right** to request and receive in a timely manner:

- a) information regarding the professional qualifications of your student's classroom teachers. The information regarding the professional qualifications of your student's classroom teachers shall include the following:
  - If the teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade level and subject areas taught;
  - If the teacher is teaching under emergency or temporary status in which the state qualifications and licensing criteria are waived;
  - The teacher baccalaureate degree major, graduate certification, and field of discipline; and
  - Whether the student is provided services by paraprofessionals, and if so, their qualifications [*ESSA*, *Section 1112(e)(l)(A)(i)-(ii)*]
- b) Information regarding any State or local educational agency policy regarding student participation in any assessments mandated by section 1111(b)(2) and by the State or local educational agency, which shall include a policy, procedure, or parental right to opt the child out of such assessment, where applicable. [*ESSA*, Section 1112(e)(2)(A)]
- c) Upon request, parent of an English learner may:
  - have the child immediately removed from an English Learner (EL) program; [*ESSA* 1112(e)(3)(A)(viii)(i)]
  - decline the child's enrollment in an EL program, or choose another program or method of instruction, if available; [*ESSA*, *Section 1112(e)(3)(A)(viii)(ii)*]
  - receive assistance in selecting among various programs and methods of instruction, if more than one program or method is offered by the eligible entity. [ESSA 1112(e)(3)(A)(viii)(iii)]
- notification if your student has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who does not meet the applicable state certification for licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned.
  [ESSA, Section 1112(e)(l)(B)(ii)

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school principal at 350-3455.

Sincerely,

Billy Hiatt School Principal