



PITMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) was signed by President Obama on December 10, 2015 and represents good news for our nation's schools. This law reauthorizes the 50-year-old Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), the nation's national education law and longstanding commitment to equal opportunity for all students (U.S. Department of Education www.ed.gov/esa). This law is designed to make changes in teaching and learning that will help our students achieve more in school.

The law requires that all schools receiving federal funds must inform parents of their right to ask schools about the qualifications of their child's teachers. Our school district receives federal funding, and we are happy to share this information with you.

New Jersey has some of the most qualified teachers in the country, and we are extremely proud of the quality of the teaching staff in the Pitman School District. All of our teachers have college degrees and many have advanced degrees. The State of New Jersey has always required a teaching certificate/license for all teachers. In addition, every teacher continues his or her own learning through professional development activities and our teachers are evaluated each year to make sure that their teaching skills remain at the highest possible level.

We are proud that every teacher in our school is fully qualified and dedicated to teaching your child.

We encourage you to support your child's education and communicate with his or her teacher on a regular basis.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Brill Moody
Director of Curriculum and Instruction

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