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## Jewel M. Sumner High School

### Parents Right to Know Information

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child’s school receives Federal Title I funds to assist students in meeting state achievement standards. This letter is to inform you of your rights to request information about the qualifications of classroom staff working with your child and information about student assessments given during the school year.

Title I schools must meet federal regulations related to teacher qualifications as defined in the ESEA (Elementary and Secondary Act). These regulations allow guardians to inquire about teacher’s training and credentials. At any time, you may request the following information:

- If the teacher meets state qualifications and certification requirements for the subject and/or grade level he/she is teaching.
- If the teacher has received an emergency or conditional certificate through which state qualifications are waived.
- Which undergraduate or graduate degrees a teacher holds and major(s) or area(s) of concentration.
- Whether or not your child receives help from a paraprofessional, and, if so, his/her qualifications.

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), which was signed into law in December 2015, and reauthorized the ESEA, contains information on parent rights to know requests, including:

- 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 assessment
  - Time and format of disseminating results

All of the above information can be requested through the school principal.

Jewel M. Sumner High School staff is fully committed to helping your child develop the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in school and beyond. We appreciate your support and partnership as we work to provide the best education for your child.

Sincerely,

Chris Fussell

Principal, Jewel M. Sumner High School