Kadoka Area School District 35-2

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Our school receives federal funds for Title I, Part A programs. Throughout the school year, we will be providing you with important information about this law and your child's education. This letter lets you know about your right to request information about the qualifications of the classroom staff working with your child.

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 several *Right-To-Know* requests.

At anytime, parents and family members can request:

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0	Information about your child's teacher and/or paraprofessional:
	☐ Whether the teacher met state qualifications and
	certification requirements for the grade level and subject he/she
	is teaching,
	☐ Whether the teacher received an emergency or
	conditional certificate through which state qualifications were
	waived, and
	☐ What undergraduate or graduate degrees the teacher
	hold, including graduate certificates and additional degrees, and
	major(s) or area(s) of concentration.
	☐ You may also ask whether your child receives help from
	a paraprofessional. If your child receives this assistance, we can provide you with information about the
	can provide you with information about the paraprofessional's qualifications.
0	Information about any time your student has been taught for four (4) or more
	consecutive weeks by a teacher(s) that is not highly qualified. (You will be
	notified by the school of this information.)
0	Information on policies regarding student participation in assessments and
	procedures for opting out, and
0	Information on required assessments that include:
	□ subject matter tested,
	□ purpose of the test,
	□ source of the requirement (if
	applicable),
	 estimated amount of time it takes students to complete the
	test, and
	time and format of disseminating results

Our staff is committed to helping your child develop the academic knowledge and critical t thinking he/she needs to succeed in school and beyond. That commitment includes making sure that all our teachers and paraprofessionals meet applicable South Dakota state requirements.

If you have any questions about your child's assignment to a teacher or paraprofessional, please contact your building's principals: Districtwide Elementary Schools' Principaljeff.nemecek@k12.sd.us or Kadoka Area Middle/High School Dean of Students-colby.shuck@k12.sd.us.

The achievement of students in our district and in your particular school is available on the Kadoka Website under the *Title One* tab. Information includes the 2022-23 State assessment and accountability information, for your local school/district/state. Information concerning these reports was presented at open-house activities at your school earlier this fall. If you have any questions concerning the Report Card, please do not hesitate to contact your principals or Mr. Jamie Hermann, District Superintendent (Jamie.hermann@k12.sd.us).

I hope you will find the information and data presented in this document helpful. We are proud of our schools, our staff and the students. Certainly, the encouragement and support provided by parents and guardians plays a key role in the success of our students and schools.

Sincerely,

Jamie Hermann, Superintendent