St. Tammany Parish Public Schools
Title I
Parents' Right to Know
Parent and Family Engagement Best Practices

PARENTS' RIGHT TO KNOW

The **Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)** requires school districts to inform parents and families about their right to receive information on the professional qualifications of their children's teachers.

Parents and families have the right to know:

- Whether all employed personnel have met state qualification and licensing criteria for the position they hold within the school
- If any personnel is employed under provisional status where state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived
- All college degrees and general areas of certification held by teachers, and qualifications of the paraprofessionals
- Whether their child receives services by paraprofessionals and their qualifications

Teacher Certification/Degree Information can be verified at www.teachlouisiana.net

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT BEST PRACTICES

St. Tammany Parish Public School System believes that **Parent and Family Engagement** (PFE) is important for children to achieve success. Parents and families are key partners with the schools. PFE includes programs, services, and activities at the school and district level.

District Responsibilities	School Responsibilities
• Involve families in developing and reviewing the district's PFE Plan • Hold yearly Stakeholders meeting and PFE roundtable planning meetings • Support STPPS Title I schools in planning and carrying out their PFE activities • Annually review and monitor PFE activities and school-wide programs outlined in the School Advancement Plans • Review the district survey results from the MRA and use results to plan future PFE programs and adjust PFE policies and procedures	• Invite parents to school meetings highlighting their school's educational programs, curriculum, and PFE opportunities • Offer PFE activities at various times which support learning goals at home • Involve parents in the planning, review, and implementation of PFE activities • Provide families with opportunities to volunteer, participate, and observe in the school and classroom • Maintain 2-way communication with families • Provide each student with the Compact for Student Success outlining responsibilities of students, parents, and teachers in the educational process • Support all students in their effort to achieve success