

# Robert Smalls Leadership Academy

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## Principal's Attestation Regarding Teachers and Paraprofessionals For Title I, Part A

I attest, as principal of Robert Smalls Leadership Academy, that the following is true:

- All teachers teaching in a program supported with Title I funds are properly certified for their teaching assignment as required by the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) Required Credentials regulation.
- All paraprofessionals working in a program supported with Title I funds shall have:
  - completed at least 2 years of study at an institution of higher education.
  - obtained an associate's (or higher) degree; or
  - met a rigorous standard of quality and can demonstrate, through a formal State or local academic assessment knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing, and mathematics; or knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading readiness, writing readiness, and mathematics readiness, as appropriate
  - a secondary school diploma (or its recognized equivalent)

Any teachers or paraprofessionals who do not meet the above requirements are listed in an attachment to this page, along with details regarding the process or program to rectify their situation.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Title: Bradley Tarrance, Principal

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attachment: Robert Smalls Leadership Academy Principal's Attestation Attachment

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Below is a list of classes not taught by a properly certified teacher, along with the process to rectify this situation.

- Computer Science – Honika Plowdeniz, substitute teacher. This position was filled prior to August 6, 2025 but the teacher resigned from Robert Smalls Leadership Academy on that date. The position is posted.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math – Tracy Valinevicius is the substitute teacher while Sherrelle Brown is on maternity leave. Ms. Valinevicius is certified to teach Science but not Math. Ms. Brown is scheduled to return on November 3, 2025.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Angelique Martin is the substitute teacher while Carolina Arrowood is on maternity leave. Ms. Arrowood is scheduled to return on October 27, 2025.