



Parent's Right-to-Know Information

**As Required by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) [Section 1112(e)(1)(A)]
and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) [Section 1112(e)(1)(A)]**

Dear Parent(s)/Legal Guardians(s):

Perry County School District receives Federal Title I funds to assist students in meeting state standards. This letter, provided annually at the start of each school year and posted on the district's webpage, serves to inform you about your right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of the classroom staff working with your child(ren).

We are very proud of our teachers and believe they are prepared to give your child a high-quality education. In accordance with federal law, you may request the following information at any time:

1. Whether the teacher has met Mississippi's qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which they teach;
2. Whether the teacher is teaching under an emergency or other provisional status through which state qualifications or licensing criteria have been waived;
3. Whether the teacher is teaching in the field of discipline of their certification or licensure; and
4. Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals, and, if so, their qualifications.

The ESSA also provides additional "right-to-know" provisions related to assessments. At any time, you may request:

- Information on required state and local assessments, including:
 - The subject matter assessed;
 - The purpose of the assessment;
 - The source of the requirement (state, district, or federal);
 - The amount of time it takes students to complete the assessment and the schedule for administration (if available);
 - The expected date and format for receiving results; and
 - Policies regarding student participation in assessments and procedures for opting out, if applicable.

Our staff is committed to helping your child develop the academic knowledge, social skills, and critical thinking necessary to succeed in school and beyond. If you have any questions or would like to request this information, please contact your child's school principal or the Perry County School District's Federal Programs Office, Attn: Allison Temple (atemple@pcsdms.us) or 601-964-3211 ext. 111.