



GREATER NANTICOKE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child's school receives Title I funding and is included under the regulations of the "Every Student Succeeds Act" (ESSA) that was signed into law by President Obama in 2015.

ESSA requires:

- Increased accountability for states and school district.
- Greater choice for parents, especially those in low performing schools.
- Greater flexibility for state and local education agencies in the use of federal funding.

Under ESSA, parents have a right to request professional qualifications of their children's teacher(s) or paraprofessional(s). This letter is to inform you of your right to ask for the following information about your children's classroom teachers or paraprofessionals:

- Whether Pennsylvania has licensed the teacher for the grade and subject he or she teaches.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other professional status through which Pennsylvania licensing criteria have been waived.
- The teacher's baccalaureate degree major and whether the teacher has any advance degrees, and if so, the subject of the degrees.
- Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals, and if so, their qualifications.

If you would like to receive specific information about your child's teacher or paraprofessional, please contact Mrs. Valerie Bartle. Our district is fully committed to the success of your child. We appreciate your partnership in our efforts to provide the best education for him or her.

Sincerely,

Valerie Bartle
Principal
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