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TO: Title I Parents/Guardians

FROM: Dr. Albert J. Holmes, Jr., Executive Director Federal Programs

SUBJECT: **Parents Right-To-Know Notification – SY 2015**

DATE: August 5, 2014

Your child is attending a school receiving Title I federal funds through the No Child Left Behind Act. In accordance with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Section 1111(h)(6) Parents Right-To-Know. This Federal law requires that parents be notified of their right to know the professional qualifications of their child's teacher(s) in core academic subject areas, including the following:

1. The type of state credential or license that the teacher holds. Some teachers will have a credential in a particular subject area, such as English or mathematics, and others will have a multiple subject credential, which allows them to teach a variety of subjects, such as in elementary schools.
2. The education level and subject area of the teacher's college degree(s). All teachers have a bachelor's degree, and many teachers have graduate degrees beyond the bachelor's, such as a masters or doctoral degree.
3. Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which the State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.

In addition to the qualifications of the teacher, if a paraprofessional (teacher's aide) provides your child services, you may also request information about his or her qualifications. Many paraprofessionals have two years of college, and others have passed a test that verifies their qualifications.

If you need further assistance, please contact the Office of Federal Program at (219) 881-4123.