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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Frederick County Public Schools strives to provide quality learning opportunities for every student. We know that reaching this goal depends on having highly qualified teachers in our classrooms.

The federal Every Student Succeeds Act of 2016 gives you the right to ask for and receive information about the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher, including:

- College or university degrees or certifications
- The subject area of the degree or certification
- Whether the teacher is certified by Maryland to teach a particular grade or subject
- Whether the teacher holds a provisional certificate

You may also ask whether your child is served by paraprofessionals (such as an instructional assistant) and, if so, request the paraprofessional's qualifications.

If you would like to receive this type of information, please request it in writing from your school's principal. The principal will respond as soon as possible within 30 days.

Thank you for supporting your child's education. It is through strong school partnerships with parents and family members each and every student can succeed.

Sincerely,

Theresa R. Alban, Ph.D. Superintendent of Schools

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