



Teacher and Paraprofessional Qualification Notice

In an effort to keep parents informed of the qualifications of teachers, the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESEA) allows parents and guardians to inquire at school whether their child(ren)'s teacher(s) have met state qualifications and certification requirements for the grade level and subject taught. Parents and guardians may inquire whether a teacher is under emergency or conditional certificate through which state qualifications were waived, and they may request information about undergraduate or graduate degrees the teacher holds, including graduate certificates and additional degrees, and major(s) or area(s) of concentration. Parents and guardians can also ask about paraprofessionals working with your child in reading, writing, and/or mathematics. We can tell you whether he/she meets state qualifications and/or licensing requirements. Deer Park School District annually conducts an audit of teacher assignments to assure that no teachers are assigned to areas for which they do not meet Washington State certification and/or endorsement requirements. Only on rare occasions does the District seek a waiver to certification.