

Parent Notification of Highly Qualified Teachers and Paraprofessionals

Parents Right-To-Know

- Parents of students in Title I schools are guaranteed **annual notification** of their “right to know” about teacher qualifications by their school district. That means parents may request and receive from that office information regarding the professional qualifications of the student’s classroom teachers, including:
 - (a) whether the teacher is state-certified;
 - (b) whether a teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status; and
 - (c) the baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate degree major or certification.
 - (d) whether the child is provided services by a paraprofessional and, if so, his/her qualifications.

- LEAs must notify parents at the beginning of each year that information on the professional qualifications of their child’s classroom teacher is available from the school district.
 - Notification may be included in district news letters or other communications to parents
 - Documentation of annual notification should be kept by LEA for monitoring purposes
 - Assurance that notification will occur should a child be taught for four or more weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified

- Parents must receive timely notice that their child has been assigned, or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by, a teacher who is not highly qualified.

- Parents must be informed if their child is placed in a Limited English Proficient program

- LEAs must provide parents with information on student’s performance level on each state assessment. (required in Chapter 12 of Iowa Administrative Code)

