



Richland Elementary School

Richland School District

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*Parent Right to Know Information as Required by The Elementary and Secondary Education Assistance (ESEA)
[Section 1112(e)(1)(A)] and the Every Student Succeeds Act [Section 1112(e)(1)(A)]*

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Dear Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s):

Your child attends Richland School District, which receives Federal Title I funds to assist students in meeting state achievement standards. Throughout the school year, we will be providing you with important information about this law and your child's education. This letter informs you of your right to request information about the qualifications of the classroom staff working with your child.

At Richland School District, we are very proud of our teachers and believe they are well-prepared for the upcoming school year, ready to provide your child with a high-quality education. As a Title I school, we are required to meet federal regulations related to teacher qualifications, as defined in the ESEA. These regulations allow you to learn more about your child's teachers' training and credentials. We are happy to provide this information to you. At any time, you may ask:

- Whether the teacher met state qualifications and certification requirements for the grade level and subject he/she is teaching,
- Whether the teacher received an emergency or conditional certificate through which state qualifications were waived, and
- What undergraduate or graduate degrees the teacher holds, including graduate certificates and additional degrees, and major(s) or area(s) of concentration.

You may also ask whether your child receives help from a paraprofessional. If your child receives this assistance, we can provide you with information about the paraprofessional's qualifications.

- The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), signed into law in December 2015 and reauthorizing the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), includes additional right-to-know requests. At any time, parents and family members can request:
- Information on policies regarding student participation in assessments and procedures for opting out, and

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- Information on required assessments that include
- Subject matter tested,
- Purpose of the test,
- Source of the requirement (if applicable),
- The amount of time it takes students to complete the test
- time and format of disseminating results.

Our staff is committed to helping your child develop the academic knowledge and critical thinking skills they need to succeed in school and beyond. That commitment includes ensuring that all of our teachers and paraprofessionals meet the applicable Pennsylvania state requirements.

If you have any questions about your child's assignment to a teacher or paraprofessional, please contact Dr. Kelly Lashinsky at Richland Elementary School by calling 814-266-5757.

Sincerely,

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