

**ANNISTON CITY SCHOOLS**

**PARENTS’ RIGHT TO KNOW**

Under ESSA, Sec. 1112(c)(6), each local educational agency (LEA) supported with Title I funds will ensure that all teachers and paraprofessionals working in a program supported under this part meet applicable state certification and licensure requirements, including any requirements for certification obtained through alternative routes to certification.

Under ESSA, Sec. 1112(e)(1)(A), at the beginning of the school year, each LEA supported with Title I funds shall notify parents that ***they may request*** , and the LEA will provide on request and in a timely manner, information regarding the professional qualifications of the students’ classroom teachers, including:

1. Whether the student’s teacher:

* Has met state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
* Is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
* Is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher.

1. Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications, including state requirements:
   * Secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent.
   * Completed two years of study at an institution of higher education.
   * Obtained an associate’s (or higher) degree.
   * Workkeys Assessment.
2. ESSA, Sec. 112(e)(1)(B), additional information. In addition to the information that parents may request under subparagraph (A), a school that receives funds under this part ***shall provide*** to each individual parent of a child who is a student in such school, with respect to such student:
   * Information on the level of achievement and academic growth of the student, if applicable and available, on each of the state academic assessments required under this part.
   * Timely notice that the student has been assigned or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who does not meet applicable state certification or licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teachers have been assigned.

If you want more information, please contact your local school.

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