

Right to Know Professional Qualifications of Teachers and Paraprofessionals

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Dear Parents,

In compliance with the requirements of the *Every Students Succeeds Act*, the Columbia County School District would like to inform you that you may request information about the professional qualifications of your student's teacher(s) and/ or paraprofessional(s). The following information may be requested:

- Whether the student's teacher
 - o has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
 - o is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived; and
 - o is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher.
- Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

If you wish to request information concerning your child's teacher's and/ or paraprofessional's qualifications, please contact the principal at your child's school and this information will be provided to you in a timely manner. You can find school contact information on the district and school websites.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Steven Flynt, Superintendent of Schools