

PARENTS RIGHT-TO-KNOW LETTER

August 3, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians:

In accordance with Parents Right-to-Know requirement under *Every Student Succeeds Act – ESSA, Section 1112 (e)(1)(A)* this is a notification from Lawton Public Schools to every parent/guardian of a student in a Title I school that you have the right to request and receive in a timely manner:

- a) information regarding the professional qualifications of your student’s classroom teachers. The information regarding the professional qualifications of your student’s classroom teachers shall include the following:
 - If the teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade level and subject areas taught;
 - If the teacher is teaching under emergency or temporary status in which the state qualifications and licensing criteria are waived;
 - The teachers baccalaureate degree major, graduate certification, and field of discipline; and
 - Whether the student is provided services by paraprofessionals, and if so, their qualifications [*ESSA, Section 1112(e)(1)(A)(i)-(ii)*]
- b) information regarding any State or local educational agency policy regarding student participation in any assessments mandated by section 1111(b)(2) and by the State or local educational agency, which shall include a policy, procedure, or parental right to opt the child out of such assessment, where applicable. [*ESSA, Section 1112 (e)(2)(A)*]
- c) upon request, parents of an English learner may:
 - have the child immediately removed from an English Learner (EL) program; [*ESSA 1112(e)(3)(A)(viii)(i)*]
 - decline the child’s enrollment in an EL program, or choose another program or method of instruction, if available; [*ESSA, Section 1112 (e)(3)(A)(viii)(iii)*]
 - receive assistance in selecting among various programs and methods of instruction, if more than 1 program or method is offered by the eligible entity. [*ESSA 1112(e)(3)(A)(viii)(iii)*]
- d) In addition to the above information you will be notified if your student has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who does not meet the applicable state certification for licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned. [*ESSA, Section 1112(e)(1)(B)(ii)*]

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school principal at 580-355-8544.

Sincerely,

Jerrold Jones

School Principal