

Dear Parent/Guardian:

At the Choctaw County School District, we are very proud of our teachers and feel they are ready for the coming school year and are prepared to give your child a high-quality education. As a district, we must meet all state certification requirements including which teachers are qualified to deliver core content instruction according to the Every Student Succeeds Act. These regulations allow you to learn more about your child's teachers' ESSA training and credentials. We are happy to provide the following at your request:

- 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.

Our staff is committed to helping your child develop the academic knowledge and critical thinking he/she needs to succeed in school and beyond. That commitment includes making sure that all of our teachers and paraprofessionals meet State of Mississippi requirements. All staff qualifications are on file at my office. Qualifications of specific staff members who teach your child will be provided upon your written request.

If you have any questions about your child's assignment to a teacher or paraprofessional, please contact me at 662.285.4022.

Sincerely,
Stewart G. Beard, Jr., Superintendent of Education
Choctaw County School District