

LACKAWANNA TRAIL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Right to Request Teacher Qualifications

As a parent of a student at the Lackawanna Trail Elementary Center, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers who instruct your child. Federal law (NCLB, Section 1111(h)(6)(A)) allows you to ask for certain information about your child's classroom teachers and requires us to give you this information in a timely manner if you ask for it. Specifically, you have the right to ask for the following information about each of your child's classroom teachers:

- Whether the Pennsylvania Department of Education has licensed or qualified the teacher for the grades and subjects he/she teaches;
- Whether the Pennsylvania Department of Education has decided that the teacher can teach in a classroom without being licensed or qualified under state regulations because of special circumstances;
- The teacher's college major, whether the teacher has any advanced degree and, if so, the subject of the degree; and
- Whether any teacher's aides or similar paraprofessionals provide services and, if they do, their qualifications. (This provision only applies to those individuals paid with Title I funds. Currently, no assistants in the district are paid with Title I funds).

If you would like to receive any of this information, please call Janice Joyce, Federal Programs Coordinator at 945-5184.

Thank you for your concerns and commitment to your child's education.