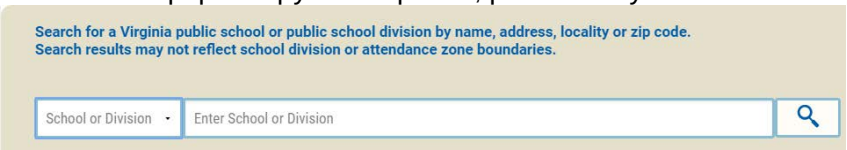
Office of Professional Learning and Family Engagement
8270 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive
Fairfax, Virginia 22031

School Year, 2018-19

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child attends a school receiving federal Title I grant funds under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015. As part of the federal guidelines for Title I, your child's school has specific expectations for student performance and teacher qualifications. You can find information on how your child's school is meeting these expectations by viewing the http://schoolquality.virginia.gov/. To access your school's profile, type the school name in the search field. If you would like a paper copy of this profile, please call your child's school.



ESSA allows parents in schools receiving Title I grant funds to ask for information about state and local policies regarding student participation in required tests and about parents' rights to refuse testing for their children. Information about required tests at each grade level can be located at https://www.fcps.edu/about-fcps/performance-and-accountability/student-assessment/grade-level-tests. Information about parents' rights related to testing can be located at https://www.fcps.edu/node/34277.

Additionally, ESSA allows parents in schools receiving Title I grant funds to ask for certain information about their children's teachers. Parents may ask for the teacher's:

- College and graduate school preparation, including degrees and major fields of study for each degree;
- Licensure status, including subject and grade level endorsements, and whether those licenses meet the requirements for teachers of their child's subject or grade level.

Parents may also ask for information about the qualifications of any instructional assistants who provide services to their children.

If you would like to receive any of this information about your child's teacher or instructional assistant, please write to the FCPS Human Resources Licensure Office at the address below. **In order for your request to be fulfilled, you must include:** your child's full name, the name of your child's school, and the name of the teacher or instructional assistant about whom you would like information.

Fairfax County Public Schools
Human Resources Licensure Office
8115 Gatehouse Road
Falls Church, Virginia 22042

More information about the Title I grant in FCPS can be found at https://www.fcps.edu/about-fcps/performance-and-accountability/title-i, including details about teacher quality in schools receiving Title I grant funds (found under the "High Quality Staff in Title I Schools" link). If you have questions about how the Title I grant supports your child's school, please contact the school's administration.

Sincerely,

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