

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Re: Teacher & Paraprofessional Qualifications

Allendale Public Schools' primary goal is to provide students with a positive educational experience in a safe and nurturing environment.

Our district receives funding from many resources, one of which is Title I, Part A, a grant provided by the federal government through the recent legislation, No Child Left Behind. As a requirement for receiving funds under this program, each school must meet the guidelines for "highly qualified teachers and paraprofessionals" in each subject area using a system approved by the Michigan Board of Education.

You, as a parent of this school, may request information on your child's teacher(s)' qualifications:

- Certification for grade level and subject,
- Emergency or provisional status,
- BA, major and graduate degrees, and
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals.
- *Also, the district will notify you when your child is being taught for four (4) consecutive weeks by teachers NOT highly qualified.*

If you would like to receive this information, please put your request in writing (or email) to the building principal. A response to your request for information will be provided in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

Dr. Daniel Jonker, Superintendent