

## Parent's Right to Know

By law, LEAs are required to notify parents that they may request information regarding the teacher's or paraprofessional's professional qualifications, including the following:

- Whether the teacher/paraprofessional has met the South Carolina certification requirements for the grade level and subject area(s) in which the teacher provides instruction;
- Whether the teacher is teaching under an emergency or other provisional status through which South Carolina qualifications or certification criteria have been waived;
- The college major and any graduate certification or degree held by the teacher;
- Whether the student is provided services by paraprofessionals, and if so, their qualifications.

LEAs must:

- Notify parents in a format that is understandable and will ensure that all parents have the opportunity to receive the information. To the extent practicable, the notification should be provided in a language that parents may understand. This may include, but is not limited to a LEA or school handbook, a letter mailed home, inclusion in a newsletter, posting on a website, and/or a school-wide email.
- Ensure the notification or document that contains the notification must include the principal's contact information, the school or LEA name, the date/month and year of notification.
- Maintain records that document the dissemination of the right to know in multiple forms to the parents of all students.