

# NEWPORT NEWS



# PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## **NOTICE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS**

As the parent or guardian of a student in a Newport News City Public School that is receiving Federal Title I funds, you have the right to inquire about the licensing of the classroom teachers who instruct your child, and statistical information about your child's school.

### **Teacher Licensing**

Federal law allows you to ask for certain information about your child's teacher and requires the school division to give you this information in a timely manner if it is requested.

You have the right to request the following information:

- Whether the teacher has met Virginia Department of Education qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas he or she teaches;
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which the Virginia Department of Education qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
- And lastly, if your child receives services from any instructional assistants or similar paraprofessionals, the qualifications of those individuals.

Newport News City Public Schools is committed to providing quality instruction for all students and does so by employing the most properly licensed and endorsed individuals to teach and support each student. If you would like to receive any of the above information, please submit your request in writing to: Parent Notification, Human Resources, Newport News Public Schools, 12507 Warwick Boulevard, Newport News, VA 23606. All requests will be honored in a timely manner.

### **School Quality Profile**

Federal law and state procedures provide you with access to information about your child's school through the Virginia School Quality Profile. The Virginia School Quality Profile provides information on teacher quality and education, student assessment, school enrollment, accountability (accreditation), learning climate, and division per pupil finances for the state as a whole and for individual schools.

The Virginia School Quality Profile for each Newport News City Public School is easily accessible online at <http://www.nnschools.org> by clicking on the "our schools" drop down menu and selecting your child's school. School quality reports are also available in each school office.

Newport News City Public Schools is committed to keeping parents and families informed by maintaining open communication. If you have any specific questions regarding your child's education or school environment, please contact your child's teacher or school principal.

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