

Britton Deerfield Schools

Home of the Patriots

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Federal Regulations commonly referred to as No Child Left Behind requires that we provide annual notifications to parents regarding our teaching staffs' qualifications.

Britton Deerfield Schools receives funds from the Title I, Part A program. Title I, Part A is a federal supplemental program designed to help our elementary school students reach high academic standards. In receiving funds from this program the district has a requirement to inform you, as parents of children attending a Title I school, of information available to you regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher(s). Information will be provided to you upon request in a timely manner of the following:

- Whether your child's teacher has met Michigan qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether your child's teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which Michigan qualifications or licensing criteria have been waived.
- The baccalaureate degree major of your child's teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of disciplines of the certification or degree.
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

You may request additional information on the level of achievement of your child in each of Michigan's assessments. Michigan uses the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) and Michigan Merit Exam (MME) to determine levels of achievement.

You will also receive timely notice if your child is, for whatever reason, assigned, or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks, by a teacher who is not highly qualified. A highly qualified teacher would be defined as a teacher that meets Michigan's qualification and licensing criteria for the grade level or subject area in which the teacher is providing instruction.

If you have questions regarding the purpose of this letter, please contact me immediately. We look forward to providing your child with a positive educational experience. Effective home/school communication is a vital part of this process.

Sincerely,

Charles Pelham
Superintendent