

Dear Parents and Guardians:

In accordance with the Every Student Succeeds (ESSA) Act the Alcester Hudson School District would like to inform you that every parent of a student in a Title I school has the right to request and receive in a timely manner:

(A) information regarding the professional qualifications of your student's classroom teachers, (B) information on instructional paraprofessionals, and (C) the assessment policies within the district.

A. The following information may be requested about the professional qualifications of classroom teacher(s): 1. Whether the teacher has met South Dakota teacher certification requirements for the grade level and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction. 2. Whether the teacher is teaching under an emergency or other provisional status through which South Dakota qualifications or certification criteria have been waived. 3. The college major and any graduate certification or degree held by the teacher.

In addition to the above information, you will be notified if your student has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who does not meet the applicable state certification for licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned.

B. Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications. Paraprofessionals must work under the supervision of a certified teacher. In schools that operate a Schoolwide program (Alcester-Hudson Elementary has this type of program) all paraprofessionals must meet professional qualifications. In a Targeted Assistance program, any paraprofessional directly supervised by a certificated teacher must meet the professional qualifications (Alcester-Hudson District does not have this type of program).

C. Districts and schools must provide, including posting on their respective websites in a clear and easily accessible manner information on each assessment required by the State and the district. Please see district website under the tab "Title Documents".

If you wish to request information concerning the qualifications of your child's teachers and instructional paraprofessionals, please contact Tim Rhead, Principal at (605) 934-2171 or tim.rhead@k12.sd.us.

Sincerely,



Tim Rhead
Superintendent