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Dear Parent or Guardian:

At the beginning of each school year, Gasconade County R-II School District must inform parents and guardians of each student attending a Title I, Part A School of their right to request information about the professional qualifications of both the teachers and the paraprofessionals who teach and work with their children. In compliance with Federal Law (No Child Left Behind Act of 2001), you may request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's teacher(s) and paraprofessional(s). The information regarding the professional qualifications of a child's teacher(s) will include:

- Certification type
- Subject area coverage and grade level of coverage
- Degree(s) and defined major area of work
- Services to be provided by the paraprofessional under the direct supervision of the teacher

Federal law requires that schools receiving Title I funds hire highly qualified teachers and instructional paraprofessionals.

The Gasconade County R-II School District employs certificated personnel according to the Missouri Department of Education requirements.

In addition to this letter, Missouri laws state, "When a teacher in a district school system is assigned teaching duties in a class dealing with subject matter that is outside the field in which the teacher is certified, the parents or guardians of all students in the class shall be notified in writing of such assignment." If a child is being taught by one or more teachers that fall within this category for four weeks or more, our district will provide you with a letter of notification and the steps our district is taking to ensure the teacher or paraprofessional is highly qualified.

Our staff is committed to helping your child develop the academic knowledge and critical thinking he/she needs to succeed in school and beyond. That commitment includes making sure that all of our teachers and paraprofessionals are highly skilled. If you would like to request any of the above information, please contact the principal at your child's school. Additionally, you may contact your child's teacher directly regarding your child's academic progress.

Sincerely,

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