



THE GADSDEN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Educating Every Student Today, Making Gadsden Stronger Tomorrow

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Thank you for continuing to help make Gadsden County schools great by encouraging and supporting your child to attend school every day, ready and eager to learn.

Federal legislation under the **Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)** requires states and school districts to ensure that students are taught by qualified educators. As a parent or guardian, you have the right to know information about the professional qualifications of the teachers and instructional paraprofessionals who work with your child.

Upon request, you may obtain information regarding:

- The professional qualifications of your child's teacher or instructional paraprofessional.
- Whether the teacher has met state qualification and licensing requirements for the grade level and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under an emergency, temporary, provisional, or other status for which state requirements have been waived.
- Whether your child has been assigned to or taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who does not meet applicable state certification or qualification requirements for the subject or grade level.

If you would like to receive information about your child's teacher or instructional paraprofessional, please contact your child's school principal. The principal will be pleased to provide this information promptly and, when requested, in a language that is easily understandable.

Parent Right to Know About Student Assessments

You also have the right to request information regarding any state or district policy concerning student participation in assessments. This includes information about your rights regarding participation in assessments, including any applicable provisions for opting out of assessments.

Please review this information on the **Gadsden County Public Schools website** at www.gadsdenschools.org under the **Federal Programs** link located on the left sidebar.

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Student Achievement Information

During your first parent-teacher conference, you will receive information regarding your child's results on applicable state academic assessments. The school and district report cards will also be reviewed with you.

Your child's instructional plan for the school year will be discussed, and you will receive suggestions and resources to help support your child's learning and homework at home.

Please know that the daily support and encouragement you provide your child are priceless gifts that contribute greatly to their success in school.

We look forward to another successful school year and to helping even more Gadsden County students achieve academic proficiency and graduate on time.

Sincerely,

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