



Gates County Schools
Federal Programs
Parent Right to Know Letter

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Each year, Gates County Schools receives Title I funding for our three elementary schools.

As a parent or guardian of a student at Buckland Elementary School, Gatesville Elementary School, or TS Cooper Elementary School, you have the right to know about the:

- professional qualifications and licensing criteria of the teachers who instruct your child;
- information regarding student participation in mandatory State or local testing and
- language instruction and English learner identification protocols and services.

Providing this information upon request is a requirement for all public school units (PSUs) that receive Title I funds. When you request information, you have the right to receive a response in a timely manner and in an understandable language and accessible format.

At any time, you may ask:

- whether the teacher met state qualifications and certification requirements for the grade level and subject he/she is teaching,
- whether the teacher received an emergency or conditional certificate that waived state qualifications and
- what undergraduate or graduate degrees the teacher holds, including graduate certificates and additional degrees, and majors or areas of concentration.

Parents also have the right to request and be provided with information regarding any state or local educational agency policy regarding student participation in any assessments mandated by the state or local educational agency. Please access the State assessment list at <https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/accountability-and-testing/state-tests> or by using this QR code:



A list of locally mandated tests is available by contacting your child's principal.

Thank you for trusting us with the education and safety of your student. If you have any questions or need clarification about the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to reach out. Your understanding and engagement are important to us, and I am more than happy to assist you in any way I can.

Warmest regards to you and your family.