

HUNTINGDON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

On January 8, 2002, President Bush signed into law the "No Child Left Behind Act" (NCLB). NCLB is designed to improve student achievement by increasing federal involvement in public education both at the state and local level. NCLB requires significant changes to schools that receive Title I funding. For the 2015-2016 school year, Southside and Standing Stone Elementary Schools receive Title 1 funding and are covered under NCLB.

NCLB requires:

- Increased accountability for states, school districts, and individual schools
- Greater choice for parents, especially those in low performing schools
- Greater flexibility for states and local educational agencies in the use of federal dollars

Under NCLB, parents have a right to know the professional qualifications of their children's teacher(s). This letter is to inform you of your rights to ask for the following information about each of your child's classroom teachers:

- Whether the State of Pennsylvania has licensed or qualified the teacher for the grades and subjects he or she teaches
- Whether any teacher is teaching under an emergency permit or other provisional status through which state licensing criteria have been waived
- The teacher's college major, whether the teacher has any advanced degrees and, if so, the subject of the degrees
- Whether any instructional aides or similar paraprofessionals provide services to your child and, if they do, their qualifications

If you would like to receive specific information about your child's teacher or paraprofessional, please contact your school's principal. For general information about NCLB, please contact my office.

Our district is committed fully to the success of your child. We appreciate the partnership in this effort.

Sincerely,



Fred Foster
Superintendent