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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Jonesboro International Studies Magnet School receives federal funds for Title I, Part A programs. We will be providing you with important information about this law, as it relates to your child's education, throughout the school year. This letter informs you of your rights to request information regarding the professional qualifications of the classroom staff working with your child. Jonesboro Public School District or International Studies will be able to provide you with the following information regarding the qualifications of your child's teacher(s):

1. Whether the teacher meets the state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grades and subjects he or she teaches.
2. Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status because of special circumstances.
3. Whether the teacher has any advanced degrees and the field of discipline of the teacher's certification or degree.

If at any time our students have been taught for four (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher(s) that is not highly qualified, then you will be notified by the school.

You also have the right to request information regarding the qualifications of the paraprofessional(s) assisting your child's teacher(s). If your child is receiving Title I, Part A services from a paraprofessional, Jonesboro Public School District and International Studies Magnet School will provide you with the following information:

1. Whether the paraprofessional has completed at least two years of study at an institution of higher education.
2. Whether the paraprofessional has completed an associate's degree (or higher).
3. Whether the paraprofessional has met a rigorous standard of quality through our state's certification procedure for determining the quality of paraprofessional staff.
4. Whether the paraprofessional has: a) the knowledge of and ability to assist in instructing reading, writing, and mathematics, or b) the knowledge of and the ability to assist in learning activities, such as homework, reading readiness, writing, mathematics, and other support as appropriate.

To request this information, contact your child's school by phone at the number above or email [josh.byard@jonesboroschools.net](mailto:josh.byard@jonesboroschools.net). Should you have any other questions regarding your child's education, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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