



Environmental Charter School
5525 Columbo St.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15206

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child's school receives Title I funding and is included in the regulations of the "Every Student Succeeds Act"(ESSA) that was signed into law by President Obama on December 10, 2015.

ESSA requires:

- Increased accountability for states and school districts.
- Greater choice for parents, especially those in low-performing school.
- Greater flexibility for state and local education agencies in the use of federal funding.

Under ESSA parents have the right to request professional qualifications of their children's teacher(s) or paraprofessional(s). this letter is to inform you of your right to ask for the following information about your child(ren)'s classroom teacher or paraprofessional:

- Whether Pennsylvania has licensed the teacher for the grades and subjects he or she teaches.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under an emergency or other provisional status through which Pennsylvania licensing criteria have been waived.
- The teacher's baccalaureate degree major and whether the teacher has any advanced degrees, and if so, the subject of the degrees.
- Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

If you would like to receive specific information about your child's teacher or paraprofessional, please contact your school.

Our school is fully committed to the success of your child(ren). We appreciate your partnership in our efforts to provide the best education for your child(ren).

Sincerely,

Jon McCann,
CEO