

Parents' Right to Know

Trimble High School has recently become a Title 1 Building. Therefore, you, as a parent, have a right to know the following information concerning your child's teachers. In the future, you should receive a reminder of this information each fall as part of your child's student handbook or among other information received at the commencement of the school year.

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REQUIREMENTS FOR TEACHERS IN A TITLE I BUILDING

All teachers in a District receiving Title I funds shall be "highly qualified"

"Highly Qualified" means

- a. Full State certification as a teacher (including an alternative educator license) or passed State teacher licensing exam and holds current license to teach; certification or license requirements may not be waived on a temporary basis.
- b. For **elementary teachers** new to profession, this also requires;
 1. At least a bachelor's degree
 2. Passing a rigorous State test on subject knowledge and teaching skills in reading, writing, math, and other subject areas of elementary curriculum (State certification test may suffice)
- c. For **high school or middle school** teachers new to the profession this also requires:
 1. At least a bachelor's degree, and
 2. Passing a rigorous State test in each of the subject areas s/he will teach (State certification test may suffice); or
 3. For each academic subject taught, having an academic major, course work equivalent to an undergraduate major, a graduate degree, or advance certification or credentialing.
- d. For elementary, middle, or secondary school teachers with prior experience, this also requires:
 1. At least a bachelor's degree, and
 2. Meets standards or new teachers (above), or
 3. Demonstrates competence in all academic subjects s/he teaches based on a uniform State standard of evaluation (standard for academic subject matter and teaching skills set by the State)

Parents may request information regarding the professional qualities for the student's classroom teachers, including:

- If the teacher has met state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade level and subject areas taught;
- If the teacher is teaching under emergency or temporary status in which State qualifications of licensing criteria are waived;
- The teacher's baccalaureate degree major, graduate certification, and field of discipline; and
- whether the student is provided services by paraprofessionals, and if so, their qualifications.

Please call Principal Matt Curtis at 767-3434 if you wish to receive this information.