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Dear Family,

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) was signed into law on December 10, 2015 as the latest reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). This federal education law was designed to make changes in teaching and learning in order to increase student achievement. The law requires that all schools receiving federal funds inform parents of their right to ask schools about the qualifications of their child's teachers and paraprofessionals. We will gladly share this information with you upon request.

Well-prepared, highly qualified teachers have the greatest impact on student learning. While the provision that legally defines highly qualified under NCLB was eliminated from ESSA, all educators in New Jersey are still required to hold the appropriate certificate/license for their given position.

Our teaching and support staff in the Woodstown-Pilesgrove Regional School District our exemplary. All of our teachers have college degrees and many have advanced degrees. In addition, every teacher continues his or her own learning through annual professional development activities and our teachers are evaluated each year to make sure that their teaching skills remain at the highest possible level. Our teachers know how to teach.

For more information on ESSA, please visit the United States Department of Education's website at http://www.ed.gov/essa.

I encourage you to continue to support your child's education and communicate with his or her teacher on a regular basis by working in tandem, families and educators can provide our children with the best education possible.

Yours in Education,

Dr. Meyrick

