

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

S. Dallas Dance, Ph.D., Superintendent

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Providing our children with an environment where they can receive a quality education is more than just a goal for Baltimore County Public Schools; it is vital to the way we do business. The federal *No Child Left Behind* Act gives you the right to ask for and receive information about the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher, including:

- Any college or university degrees or certifications held by the teacher.
- The subject area of the teacher's degree or certification.
- Whether the teacher is certified by the state of Maryland to teach a particular grade level or subject area.
- Whether the teacher holds a conditional certificate.

You also have the right to ask for information about whether your child is being served by paraprofessionals and, if so, the qualifications of the paraprofessionals.

If you would like to receive any such information about your child's classroom teacher and/or paraprofessionals, please make the request in writing to your school's principal. The principal will then provide the information to you in a timely manner, in most cases within thirty (30) business days.

Thank you for supporting your child's school and Baltimore County Public Schools. Your continued interest and support are vital to helping our schools and our students excel and achieve.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Dallas Dance', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

S. Dallas Dance
Superintendent