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Dear Parent/Guardian,

At Yough School District we are very proud of our teachers. They are ready for the new school year and are prepared to give your child a high-quality education. As a school that receives Federal Title I funds to assist students in meeting state achievement standards, we must meet federal regulations related to teacher qualifications. These regulations allow you to learn more about your child's teachers' training and credentials.

This letter informs you of your right to request information about the qualifications of the classroom staff working with your child. We are happy to provide this information to you. At any time, you may ask:

- Whether the teacher meets state qualifications and certification requirements for the grade level and subject he/she is teaching
- Whether the teacher received an emergency or conditional certificate through which state qualifications were waived
- What undergraduate or graduate degrees the teacher holds, including graduate certificates and additional degrees, and major(s) or area(s) of concentration
- Whether your child receives help from a paraprofessional and if so, what are the paraprofessional's qualifications.

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), which was signed into law in December 2015 and reauthorizes the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1956 (ESEA), includes additional right-to-know requests. You may request information on:

- Policies regarding student participation in assessments, and procedures for opting out
- Required assessments, including subject matter tested; purpose; source of the requirement (if applicable); amount of time it takes students to complete; and how results will be disseminated.

Our staff is committed to helping your child develop the academic knowledge and critical thinking he/she needs to succeed. That commitment includes ensuring that all our teachers and paraprofessionals meet applicable Pennsylvania state requirements. Throughout the school year, we will be providing you with important information about this law and your child's education. If you have any questions, please contact me at 724-446-7272 or email me at sardonj@youghsd.net. We appreciate your partnership in our efforts to provide the best education for your child.

Sincerely,



Dr. Janet M. Sardon
Superintendent