PARENT'S RIGHT TO REQUEST INFORMATION CONCERNING TEACHER AND PARAPROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

The *Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)* specifies that school systems must notify the parents of each student attending any school receiving Title I funds that they may request information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals.

Parents of students in Title I schools have the right to request:

1. Whether the child's teacher has met the state requirements for licensure and certification for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher requires instruction;

2. Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which the state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;

3. The college major and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher and the field or discipline of the certification or degree;

4. Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

Any parent who wishes to request information pertaining to any of the above may contact the Jackson County Schools Personnel Office by telephone, letter, fax, or in person. The contact information is:

Jackson County Schools
Attention: Personnel Office
P.O. Box 770
#1 School Street
Ripley, West Virginia 25271
Telephone: 304-372-7304
Fax: 304-372-7312