

**SAN PASQUAL UNION SCHOOL
PARENTS' RIGHT-TO-KNOW
PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF CLASSROOM TEACHERS**

On January 8, 2002, President Bush signed into law “The No Child Left Behind Act” (NCLB), the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). A provision of this law requires all districts to notify parents of all children in all Title I schools that they have the right to request and receive timely information on the professional qualifications of their children’s classroom teachers. This requirement applied to all Title I schools, both Targeted Assistance and School wide.

According to the NCLB law (Section 1111 – State Plans, (6) Parents’ Right-to-Know), school districts must report:

(A) Qualifications. – At the beginning of each school year, a local educational agency that receives funds under this part shall notify the parents of each student attending any school receiving funds under this part that the parents may request, and the agency will provide the parents on request (and in a timely manner), information regarding the professional qualifications of the student’s classroom teachers:

- I. Whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- II. Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
- III. The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree.
- IV. Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

(B) Additional Information. – In addition to the information that parents may request under Subparagraph (A), a school that receives funds under this part shall provide to each individual parent:

- I. Information on the level of achievement of the parent’s child in each of the State academic assessments as required under this part: and
- II. Timely notice that the parent’s child has been assigned, or has been taught for 4 or more consecutive weeks by, a teacher who is not highly qualified.

Because San Pasqual Union School District receives Title I, Part A funds, all teachers have been identified as highly qualified whether or not they are paid with Title I funds (Sec. 1119 (a) (2) State Plan).