



# RUTHERFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The *Elementary and Secondary Education Act* is our country's most important federal education law. On December 10, 2015, President Obama signed the reauthorization of this law, called the *Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)*. ESSA is designed to make changes in teaching and learning that will help increase academic achievement in our schools.

The law requires that all schools receiving Title I funds must inform parents of their right to ask schools about the qualifications of their child's teachers. Your school receives Title I funding and we are happy to share this information with you at your request.

I encourage you to support your child's education and communicate with your child's teacher(s) on a regular basis. By partnering, families and educators can provide your child with the best education possible. For more information on ESSA, and the role of parents, please visit the United States Department of Education (USDE) website at <https://www.ed.gov/essa>.

Sincerely,

John J. Hurley  
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