

CAPE MAY CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act is our country's most important education law. In 2001 this law was revised and is now called, *The No Child Left Behind Act*. No Child Left Behind (NCLB) was designed to make changes in teaching and learning that will help our students achieve more in school.

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

The law requires that all teachers must meet a specific, legal definition of "highly qualified" in order to teach in schools that receive federal funding. As you know, our school receives federal funds to support the programs we offer to your child.

The legal definition of a "highly qualified teacher" has three parts. It states that the teacher must have:

1. A four-year college degree;
2. A regular teaching certificate/license; and
3. Proof of their knowledge in the subject they teach.

This letter is to inform you that you have the right to inquire about your child's teacher's credentials. However, all of the teachers employed by Cape May City Elementary School have met the federal law requirements of a "highly qualified teacher."

We are very proud that all of our teachers achieved the highly qualified status.

Thank you for your support of our teachers and your child's education. We look forward to continually providing the children of Cape May City Elementary School with the best education possible.

Sincerely yours,



Victoria Zelenak
Superintendent

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