## **SPRINGFIELD**



## SCHOOL DISTRICT

ET Richardson Middle School 20 West Woodland Ave. Springfield, PA 19064 (610) 610-938-6300

September 6, 2023

Dear Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s):

Your child attends ET Richardson Middle School which receives Federal Title I funds to assist students in meeting state achievement standards. Throughout the school year, we will be providing you with important information about this law and your child's education. This letter lets you know about your right to request information about the qualifications of the teachers working with your child.

At ET Richardson Middle School we are very proud of our teachers and feel they are ready for the coming school year and are prepared to give your child a high-quality education. All teachers at ET Richardson Middle School are certified in the subjects that they currently teach and are considered highly qualified in the state of Pennsylvania. As a Title I school, we must meet federal regulations related to teacher qualifications as defined in ESEA. These regulations allow you to learn more about your child's teachers' training and credentials, such as the certificates and additional graduate degrees that a teacher currently holds. We are happy to meet with you to provide you with this information. Also, if your child receives paraprofessional assistance, you may also inquire about his or her qualifications, and we will meet with you to provide you with this information.

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 additionally right to know requests. At any time, parents and legal guardians can request: (1) Information on policies regarding student participation in assessments; and (2) Information on required assessments, including subject, the time allotted, the purpose of the assessment and the format for disseminating results.

Our staff is committed to helping your child develop the academic knowledge and critical thinking he/she needs to succeed in school and beyond. That commitment includes making sure that all of our teachers and paraprofessionals meet applicable Pennsylvania state requirements. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Walter Hartshorn, Principal (walter.hartshorn@ssdcougars.org) or Dr. Jeffrey Zweiback, Federal Programs Coordinator (Jeffrey.Zweiback@ssdcougars.org).

\*\*Parent Right to Know Information as Required by The Elementary and Secondary Education Assistance (ESEA) [Section 1112(e)(1)(A)] and the Every Student Succeeds Act [Section 1112(e)(1)(A)]