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Dear Agora Parents/Guardians,

Your child attends Agora Cyber Charter School, which receives Federal Title I funds to assist students in meeting state achievement standards. Throughout the 2021-2022 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 classroom staff working with your child.

At Agora, we are very proud of our teachers and feel they are ready for the coming school year. They are dedicated and prepared to give your child a high-quality education. 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. We are happy to provide this information to you. At any time, you may ask:

- If the teacher has met State certification and licensing requirements for the grade levels and subjects for which the teacher provides instruction,
- If state certification and licensing requirements have been waived (is not being required at this time) for the teacher under emergency or other temporary status,
- If the teacher is teaching in the field of discipline for which they are certified or licensed and
- What undergraduate or graduate degrees the teacher holds, including graduate certificates and additional degrees, and major(s) or area(s) of concentration.

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 additional right to know requests. At any time, parents and family members can request:

- Information on policies regarding student participation in assessments and procedures for opting out, and
- Information on required assessments that include
 - subject matter tested,
 - purpose of the test,
 - source of the requirement (if applicable),
 - amount of time it takes students to complete the test, and
 - time and format of 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 our teachers and paraprofessionals meet applicable Pennsylvania state requirements.

If you have any questions about your child's assignment to a teacher or paraprofessional, please contact ***Dr. Anne Butler, Chief Academic Officer*** at abutler@agora.org.

In addition, we want to make sure our families are aware that Agora Cyber Charter School has been designated as a Comprehensive Support and Improvement School. More information regarding what that means can be found by clicking [here](#).

Agora Cyber Charter School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in matters affecting employment or in providing access to programs and services. More information regarding Agora's policies can be found by clicking here-

Thank you for all that you do to support your child's education.

Sincerely,

Dr. Richard S. Jensen, Jr., CEO
Agora Cyber Charter School