

Galloway Community Charter School

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Federal Law, No Child Left Behind, *NCLB*, requires that all schools receiving Title I funds inform parents of their right to ask schools about the qualifications of their child's teachers. Our school receives Title I funding and we are happy to share this information with you.

We believe that nothing is more important to your child's education at school than having a well-prepared and highly qualified teacher. The law requires that all teachers who teach in core content areas must meet a specific legal definition of "highly qualified" in order to teach in schools that receive Title I funding. The legal definition of a "highly qualified teacher" has three parts. It states that the teacher must have a four-year college degree, a regular teaching certificate/license, and proof of his/her knowledge in the subject that he/she teaches.

New Jersey has some of the most qualified teachers in the country, and we are extremely proud of the quality of the faculty at the Galloway Community Charter School. All of our regular teachers have college degrees and many have advanced degrees. The State of New Jersey has always required a teaching certificate/license for all teachers. In addition, every teacher continues learning through professional development activities and our teachers are evaluated each year to make sure that their teaching skills remain at the highest possible level.

A highly qualified teacher knows what to teach, how to teach, and has a full understanding of the subject matter being taught. We believe that every teacher in our school is fully qualified and dedicated to teaching your child, and every teacher at the Galloway Community Charter School meets the legal definition required by the federal government to be a Highly Qualified Teacher.

I encourage you to support your child's education and communicate with your child's teacher(s) on a regular basis. For more information on *NCLB*, and the role of parents, please visit the United States Department of Education (USDE) website at www.ed.gov/nclb.

By partnering, families and educators can provide our children with the best education possible.

Sincerely,

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Director