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TO: Principals

FROM: Frank McCardle 

DATE: October 15, 2008

RE: Principal's Attestation Title I, Part A Programs Regarding Staff Qualifications

"No Child Left Behind" requires principals to attest yearly as to their school's compliance with Section 1119. Section 1119 identifies teacher and paraprofessional qualifications:

- **New hired teachers:** All teachers assigned to schools after the first day of the 2002-2003 school year and teaching in a program supported with Title I, Part A funds are "highly-qualified," as defined by the Mississippi Department of Education, Office of Educator Licensure.
- **Existing teachers:** All teachers assigned to schools on or before the first day of the 2002-2003 are highly qualified, as defined by the Mississippi Department of Education, Office of Educator Licensure.
- **Newly hired paraprofessionals:** Title I paraprofessionals hired after January 8, 2002, must have one of three qualifications:
 - Passing Score ACT WorkKeys assessment
 - 48 credit hours with a minimum C grade
 - An associate's degree or higher
- **Existing paraprofessionals:** By January 8, 2006, paraprofessionals hired on or before January 8, 2002, must meet the standards for new paraprofessionals.
- **All paraprofessionals:** Effective immediately, all Title I paraprofessionals, regardless of hire date, must have a high school diploma or a recognized equivalent.
- **Paraprofessional duties:** Title I paraprofessionals may not perform classroom instruction unless supervised by a highly qualified teacher and may not perform more non-educational duties than non-Title I paraprofessionals. Paraprofessionals with instructional duties and working in a program supported with Title I, Part A funds, are assigned to (1) provided one-to-one tutoring for eligible students, if tutoring is scheduled at a time when a student would not otherwise receive instruction from a teacher; (2) assist with classroom management, such as organizing instructional and other materials; (3) provide assistance in a computer laboratory; (4) conduct parent involvement activities; (5) provide support in a library or media center, (6) act as a translator; or (7) provide instructional services to students in accordance with statute. All paraprofessionals in Title I, Part A programs work under the direct supervision of a teacher to provide instructional services to students following these guidelines: (1) the teacher plans the instructional activities; (2) the teacher evaluates the achievement of the students; and (3) the paraprofessional works in close and frequent physical proximity to the teacher.

****Documentation concerning teacher and paraprofessional qualifications is updated yearly and kept on file in the Office of the Superintendent.****

ATTESTATION REGARDING STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT Nicholson Elementary School (SCHOOL) IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1119 OF THE "NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND" CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS.

Vera D Beech
Signature of Principal

10-15-08
Date

Frank McCandle
Signature of Director of Federal Programs

10-15-08
Date

Dean Frew
Signature of Superintendent

10-15-08
Date

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ATTESTATION REGARDING STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT Picayune Junior High School (SCHOOL) IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1119 OF THE "NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND" CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS.

James A. Wilkins
Signature of Principal

10-15-08
Date

Frank McCandle
Signature of Director of Federal Programs

10-15-08
Date

Deann Frew
Signature of Superintendent

10-15-08
Date

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ATTESTATION REGARDING STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT Roseland Park Elementary School (SCHOOL) IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1119 OF THE "NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND" CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS.

Siddi Saughan
Signature of Principal

10-15-08
Date

Frank McCordle
Signature of Director of Federal Programs

10-15-08
Date

Dennis Shaw
Signature of Superintendent

10-15-08
Date

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ATTESTATION REGARDING STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT South Side Elementary School (SCHOOL) IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1119 OF THE "NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND" CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS.

Patrick M. Rutherford

Signature of Principal

10-15-08

Date

Frank McCordle

Signature of Director of Federal Programs

10-15-08

Date

Dean Shew

Signature of Superintendent

10-15-08

Date

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ATTESTATION REGARDING STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT South Side Lower Elementary School (SCHOOL) IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1119 OF THE "NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND" CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS.

Joann Lee
Signature of Principal

10/15/09
Date

Frank McCandle
Signature of Director of Federal Programs

10-15-08
Date

Dem Shaw
Signature of Superintendent

10/15/08
Date

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ATTESTATION REGARDING STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT West Side Elementary School (SCHOOL) IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1119 OF THE "NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND" CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS.


Signature of Principal

10-15-08
Date


Signature of Director of Federal Programs

10-15-08
Date


Signature of Superintendent

10-15-08
Date

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