

## TITLE I PARENTS' RIGHT TO KNOW LETTER

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Our schools, **Bruno-Pyatt K-12 School**, **St. Joe K-12 School**, **Western Grove K-12 School**, receive federal funds for Title I, Part A programs. Throughout the school year, we will be providing you with important information about this law as it relates to your child's education. This letter lets you know about your right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of the classroom staff working with your child. Our district or schools will be able to provide you with the following information regarding the qualifications of your child's teacher(s):

1. Whether the teacher meets the state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grades and subjects he or she teaches.
2. Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status because of special circumstances.
3. Whether the teacher has any advanced degrees and the field of discipline of the teacher's certification or degree.

If at any time your student has been taught for four (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher(s) that is not highly qualified, then you will be notified by the school.

You also have the right to request information regarding the qualifications of the paraprofessional(s) assisting your child's teacher(s). If your child is receiving Title I, Part A services from a paraprofessional, then our district or school is able to provide you with the following information:

1. Whether the paraprofessional has completed at least two years of study at an institution of higher education.
2. Whether the paraprofessional has completed an associate's degree (or higher).
3. Whether the paraprofessional has met a rigorous standard of quality through our state's certification procedure for determining the quality of paraprofessional staff.
4. Whether the paraprofessional has: (a) the knowledge of and ability to assist in instructing reading, writing, and mathematics or (b) the knowledge of and the ability to assist in learning activities, such as homework, reading readiness, writing, mathematics, and other support as appropriate.

To request this information please contact your child's school by phone or by email at:

**Bruno-Pyatt** .....John McCleary, Phone: (870) 427-5227  
or email: jmcclary@omsd.k12.ar.us

**St. Joe** .....Jess Knapp, Phone (870) 439-2218  
or email: jknapp@omsd.k12.ar.us

**Western Grove** .....Billy Carter, Phone (870) 429-5215  
or email: bcarter@omsd.k12.ar.us

Should you have any other questions regarding your child's education, please do not hesitate to contact us using the information above or at the District at (870) 439-2213

## OMSD TITLE I PARENT/TEACHER COMPACT

The Ozark Mountain School District's Title I program is established to improve student achievement and comply with state and national educational goals. To assure that these goals are met, a partnership between parents and teachers is essential; therefore, the OMSD Title I programs establishes this compact.

### Parents of OMSD Title I students will:

- Ensure that your child attend school on a regular basis
- Provide your child with adequate physical need (i.e. clothing, rest)
- Be involved in the student's learning process (i.e. ensure completed assignments, encourage reading and learning at home)
- Communicate on a regular basis with school personnel (i.e. attend parent/teacher conferences, scheduled meetings, written communication, telephone calls)

### Title I teachers and employees will:

- Conduct with parents an annual review of the Title I program
- Provide high quality instruction compliant with state and national performance standards from trained staff members in an effective learning environment
- Send frequent reports of student's progress to parents (i.e. report cards, test results, progress reports)
- Provide opportunities for parents to volunteer and participate in classroom activities

Parents, please sign this document to indicate that you are in agreement with the conditions of this compact.

Parental Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_