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

Title I requires schools to notify parents if the following circumstance occurs in the classroom:

- When your child has been assigned to a teacher who does not meet the qualifications for Appropriately Certified teacher, or
- When your child has been taught four consecutive weeks or more by a teacher who does not meet the Appropriately Certified requirements.

The Phoenix Union High School District is committed to hiring teachers who are highly trained and competent in their assigned areas of instruction. The District hires teachers with appropriate Arizona teacher certification.

We are notifying you that your child's 10th grade Chemistry teacher, Ms. Blanchard, is properly certified in Biology, but is currently working to attain her certification in chemistry. She is working closely with Chemistry certified teacher, Mr. Hall, and both are using the same lesson plans for chemistry.

However, if you have additional questions or concerns about your child's educational progress or teacher in the meantime, please contact me via email, Batsell@phoenixunion.org, or phone call, (602) 764-5600. Thank you for your understanding and partnership with us.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Holly Batsell". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Holly Batsell
Principal, Bioscience High School

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Parents Right-to-Know

(Teacher Qualifications • Non-Title I-Qualified Status)

Title I Section 1111 (h)(6)

(6) PARENTS RIGHT-TO-KNOW-

- (A) **QUALIFICATIONS-** At the beginning of each school year, a local educational agency that receives funds under this part shall notify the parents of each student attending any school receiving funds under this part that the parents may request, and the agency will provide the parents on request (and in a timely manner), information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers, including, at a minimum, the following:
- (i) Whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
 - (ii) Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
 - (iii) The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree.
 - (iv) Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.
- (B) **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION-** In addition to the information that parents may request under subparagraph (A), a school that receives funds under this part shall provide to each individual parent—
- (i) information on the level of achievement of the parent's child in each of the State academic assessments as required under this part; and
 - (ii) timely notice that the parent's child has been assigned, or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by, a teacher who is not highly qualified.
- (C) **FORMAT-** The notice and information provided to parents under this paragraph shall be in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language that the parents can understand.