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Maywood Parents/Guardians:

This letter is intended to indicate to you that all Maywood staff are currently classified as highly qualified as per state guidelines and that you as a parent have the right to know the qualifications of your child's teacher(s). As a parent you may request, and the district will provide evidence, of the fact that your child's teacher(s) are indeed highly qualified.

The federal No Child Left Behind Act (NCLBA) requires that all K-12 public school teachers of core academic subjects meet the "highly qualified teacher" (HQT) requirements of the Act. Core academic subjects/areas are: English language arts (including ESL), math, science, social studies (i.e., history, economics, geography, and civics and government), reading, foreign languages, art, music, and the generalist endorsement areas of elementary education and early childhood education (grades K-3 only). Special educators need to meet HQT requirements only when they provide "primary instruction" in a core content area.

The Superintendent of each school district in New Jersey is responsible for maintaining records as to the "highly qualified" status of all district staff. As a means to validate our records Maywood requires that each staff member complete and submit an HQT card at the beginning of each school year documenting the requirements to be classified as highly qualified. These cards are maintained in the Board of Education office.

Sincerely,

Michael Jordan
Superintendent of Schools

