

Parent Notification

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) requires notification to parents when any of the following situations exist in a Local Education Agency (LEA) receiving federal funds. Additional information regarding these requirements can be found in this manual.

- 1. LEAs must annually disseminate DESE's ESSA Complaint Procedures to parents of students and appropriate nonpublic school officials or representatives.
- 2. At the beginning of each school year, a participating LEA must notify the parents of each student attending a school that receives Title I.A funds that they may request, and the LEA will provide in a timely manner, information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teachers and any paraprofessionals providing services to their child.
- 3. A school that receives Title I.A funds must provide all parents notice their child has been assigned, or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks, by a teacher or a person who is not appropriately certified.
- 4. Within 30 days after the beginning of the school year, an LEA must inform parents their child has been identified for participation in a language instruction educational program.
- 5. Parents/guardians of students enrolled in a persistently dangerous school or students who are victims of violent criminal offense while on school property must be notified of their option to transfer their student to a school that is not designated persistently dangerous.
- 6. Testing Transparency –LEAs must make available to the public for each grade and each assessment required by the state, the following:
 - a. the subject matter assessed;
 - b. the purpose for which the assessment is designed and used;
 - c. the source of the requirement for the assessment (statutory cite);
 - d. the amount of time spent on the assessment;
 - e. the schedule for administering the assessment; and,
 - f. the time and format for disseminating results.