



The Volcano School of Arts & Sciences

A Hawai'i-Focused Public Charter School
PO Box 845, Volcano, HI 96785

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Aloha Parents and Guardians,

The No Child Left Behind (NCLB) federal law required teachers to be, or become, "Highly Qualified." The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), which became law in December 2015, provides parent(s)/guardian(s) of a HODOE student, the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teacher (s) and if the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so their qualifications.

Federal law allows you to ask for certain information about your child's classroom teacher(s) and paraprofessional(s) and requires us to give you this information in a timely manner upon request.

You have the right to ask for the following information about each of your child's classroom teacher(s).

1. Whether the teacher has met licensing criteria and has earned the designation of Highly Qualified for the grade levels and subject areas in which he/she teaches. Core academic subjects include: English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Foreign Languages, Civics and Government, Economics, History, Geography, and Art
2. Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
3. The teacher's college major, whether the teacher has any advanced degrees and, if so, the subject of the degrees; and
4. Whether any teachers' aides or similar paraprofessionals provide services to your child and, if they do, their qualifications.

If you would like to receive any of this information, please contact our school office.

Mahalo,

Kalima Kinney
Principal