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To: Parents of Students Attending Westside Elementary School

From: Nebo School District

Date: October 1, 2023

Re: Title I Information and Parent Notification of Teacher Qualifications

Westside Elementary is designated as a Title I School. Title I is a federal program which focuses additional funding on eight of the thirty Nebo Elementary Schools. This funding is based on socio-economic status. Title I designation allows Westside School funding to provide several effective programs including:

- **ESL** (English as a Second Language)
- **SIPPS** (small group literacy support in grades 1-5)
- **Sounds Sensible** (individual & small group literacy support in all grades)
- **Family Night**
- **iReady** (literacy & math software for intervention and enrichment)
- **Reteach & Enrichment** (daily opportunity to reteach and enrich grade level content)
- **Peer Tutoring**
- **Professional Development** (additional training for the principal, teachers and paraprofessionals)
- **Math Booster Groups** (small groups with certified teacher or technician)
- **Countdown, Blast and HD Word** (phonics programs used to support reading K-3)
- **Heggerty** (phonemic awareness intervention program for all grades)

As a parent of a student at Westside Elementary, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers who instruct your child. Federal law requires the school district to provide you this information in a timely manner if you request it. Specifically, you have the right to request the following information about each of your child's classroom teachers:

- Whether the teacher meets the state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grades and subjects he or she teaches.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or provisional status because of special circumstances.
- The teacher's college major, whether the teacher has any advanced degrees, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree.
- Whether paraprofessionals provide services to your child and, if so, their qualifications.

If you would like to receive any of this information, please contact Principal Lori Nielsen at 801-489-2800.

Also included in this packet is a copy of our district parent & family engagement policy.