

Parent Right to Know

At Information Sessions, in the Student & Family handbook, and at the Family Orientation, we explained to you that Rochester Prep Charter School strives to find the best teachers and staff members in the country to educate and support your child.

Throughout each year, the qualifications, credentials and performance of the staff are evaluated through a number of measures to ensure our teachers continue to deliver the highest quality education and to demand excellence from each other and each child. In addition, our school network, Uncommon Schools, reviews an average of 6,000 applications each year for Lead Teachers and Teaching Fellows, interviews thousands of these applicants over the phone and interviews hundreds in-person. Based on the schools performance review and rigorous recruitment process, we are confident that we have succeeded in reaching our goal. Short biographies of the Rochester Prep faculty are available for review [here](#).

As a parent at Rochester Prep (a Title I school) and in compliance with the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, you have the right to request information about the qualifications, certification and credentials of your child's teacher. Specifically included is your right to know the following:

- Whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
- The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and field of discipline of the certification or degree; and
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualification.

If you have additional questions about teacher certification, teacher degrees, or other staff qualifications, please contact Brian Marciano, Elementary School Director of Operations at (718) 585) 235-0008, or Marya Murray-Diaz, Middle School Director of Operations, at (585) 436-8629. Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm! We look forward to working with you throughout this year.