



# Hopatcong Borough Schools

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Federal Law requires that all schools receiving federal funds must inform parents of their right to ask about the qualifications of their child's teachers. The Hopatcong School District believes that nothing is more important to your child's education at school than having well prepared and highly qualified teachers.

The law requires that all teachers meet a specific legal definition of "high qualified" in order to each in schools that receive federal funding. The legal definition of a Highly Qualified Teacher has three parts; it states that a teacher must possess:

1. a four-year college degree;
2. a regular teaching certificate/license; and
3. proof of knowledge in the subject taught

A highly qualified teacher knows what to teach, how to teach and has a full understanding of the subject matter being taught.

We are extremely proud of the quality of the teaching staff in the Hopatcong School District. All of our teachers have four-year college degrees, and many have advanced degrees. All possess a teacher certificate/license, and each teacher continues his or her own learning through professional development activities. Our teachers are evaluated each year to ensure that their teaching skills remain at the highest possible level.

Please be advised that all of our teachers employed in the Hopatcong School District are highly qualified according to Federal regulations.

Respectfully,

Mr. Jeffrey Hallenbeck  
*Superintendent of Schools*