2023-2024
Title I Section 1119 Qualifications for Teachers and Paraprofessionals
Verification of Compliance – Principal Attestations

Section 1119(i)(1) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) requires the principal of each school operating a schoolwide program or targeted assistance program to attest annually in writing as to whether the school is in compliance with the requirements of Section 1119. In addition, copies of attestations must be:
1. Maintained at each school operating a Schoolwide or Targeted Assistance program;
2. Maintained at the main office of the school district; and
3. Available to any member of the general public on request.

Requirements of Section 1119 - Teachers
- Beginning with the first day of school teachers hired and teaching in a program supported with Title I funds are highly qualified.
- A plan was developed to ensure all teachers are highly qualified no later than the end of the 2005-06 school year. Components of the plan shall include annual measurable objectives to:
  - increase the percentage of highly qualified teachers, and
  - increase the percentage of teachers who are receiving high-quality professional development.
- Progress to meet annual measurable objectives must be publicly reported (Reported annually on school, district, and state report cards available at the following web link: https://reportcard.doe.k12.de.us/)

Requirements of Section 1119 – Paraprofessionals
- All paraprofessionals hired with Title I funds or employed in a Title I Schoolwide program and assisting with instruction must meet one of the following requirements:
  1. Completed at least 2 years of study at an institution of higher education
  2. Obtained an associate degree (or higher)
  3. Met a rigorous standard of quality and can demonstrate through a formal state-approved assessment the knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing and mathematics, or assisting in instructing and the readiness of above-named subject areas, as appropriate.
- Existing paraprofessionals working in a program supported with Title I funds or employed in a Title I Schoolwide program and assisting with instruction must have met the Title I requirements by the end of the 2013-14 school year.
- All paraprofessionals working in a Title I funded program, including a Title I Schoolwide program, shall have earned a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent.
- Title I paraprofessionals will not be assigned a duty inconsistent with duties outlined in Section 1119.
- Paraprofessionals providing instructional services to students must work under the direct supervision of teacher consistent with Section 1119.

Statement

I attest that the provisions of Section 1119 - Qualifications for Teachers and Paraprofessionals are met in this Title I school for the 2023-2024 school year.

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(School Name)                                (District Name)

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(Principal’s Name)                            (Date Signed)