



## Upward Elementary School

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Dear Upward Parents:

We hope that you and your family have gotten off to a good start this school year. We are thrilled to have your student here at Upward!

Our school is proud to be a Title 1 School, which means that we receive additional funding that supports student learning. Title 1 schools are also required to keep parents like you notified about what's going on in our school. Specifically, Title 1 schools must communicate about opportunities for parents to be involved in school and about your rights as a parent.

Our school conducts a variety of Parent Engagement activities every year. These activities are planned with help from our parents and are designed to enhance our relationships with the school community. Please watch out for information about these events. We'd love for you to join us!

Finally, our school is proud of our teachers and we are pleased that federal guidelines require that we provide information about their education and qualifications. You have the right to the following information:

- The level of achievement attained by your child on each of the state academic assessments.
- The subject, purpose, length, participation requirements and other characteristics of state academic assessments.
- Whether the teacher has met the state qualifications for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under an emergency or other provisional status through which the state qualifications have been waived.
- What baccalaureate degrees have been earned by the teacher, along with the field of study and any other certifications.
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.
- Whether your child has received four weeks or more of instruction by a non highly-qualified teacher.

In addition, you will find that we have attached the school district report card. Should you have any questions about that or any of the information above, please contact the school or Shannon Marlowe, Director of Title 1, at 828-697-4733.

Sincerely,

Jason Joyce  
Principal