

Dear Parent-Caregivers,

In compliance with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) of 2015, all Title I schools are required to provide timely notice to parents when students have been assigned or taught for 4 or more consecutive weeks (20 days) by a teacher who does not meet applicable state certification or licensure requirements at the grade level(s) and subject area(s) in which the teacher has been assigned. ESSA Sec. 1112 (e)(1)(B)(ii)

Effective for the 25-26 School Year:

We are notifying you that the following teachers: Angel Thompson (Music, ASL) and Justin Annunziato (PE, Sports Nutrition) do not currently meet State professional qualifications. The school is working with these teachers to ensure that the necessary steps are taken to meet the remaining requirements necessary to be awarded their official South Carolina Department of Education teacher license.

Mrs. Thompson has taught Music (Voice, Guitar and Composition) for more than 15 years with students ranging from elementary school through college. She also has extensive music therapy experience, mostly with children on the autism spectrum. She holds degrees in Psychology and Counseling from Grace College and Grace Theological Seminary. She is currently enrolled in the program Teachers of Tomorrow working on her state certification.

Starting second semester, Mr. Annunziato joins us here at CHS. Mr. Annunziato holds a degree in General Studies with a concentration in Physical Education. He has over three years of experience working with students with moderate to severe disabilities in a high school setting. Additionally, he served as a Physical Education teacher for four years at a charter school and brings more than five years of experience coaching lacrosse at the local high school level. He is currently enrolled in the program Teachers of Tomorrow working on his state certification.

Please know that the school's leadership team closely monitors all your children's classes to ensure quality instruction and student achievement. Should you have any questions or concerns about your child's educational progress or any of their teacher's qualifications you may contact me at 843.788.9898 or email Ms. Oskin, Principal at soskin@coastalhs.org.

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