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Germany, Italy, Austria, Switzerland & France

Come and enjoy the sights of these great European countries. I will be taking students, parents, grandparents and community members across the pond. I have been taking these trips for 16 years. We have experienced so many countries, languages, customs and have made memories to last a lifetime. My next trip will be leaving on June 1st, 2013 and returning 13 days later. The itinerary is as follows-----

Day 1- Fly overnight to Germany

Day 2- Arrival Frankfurt Germany. Travel to Rothenburg and start touring.

Day 3- Tour Rothenberg. Travel along the Romantic Road to Munich

Day 4- Take a guided tour of Munich. (Olympic Stadium) Visit Dachau (concentration camp)

Day 5- Travel via Innsbruck to Venice

Day 6- Take a guided tour of Venice. (St. Mark's Square, Grand Canal and glass blowing

Day 7- Arrive Lucerne via Verona

Day 8- Take a tour of Lucerne (Lowendenkmal and Kapellbricke) option to Mt. Pilatus

Day 9- Travel on to Heidelberg. See the Rhine Falls and Black Forest along with Heidelberg Castle

Day 10- Depart for home or continue and see Strasbourg Cathedral. Then take a high speed train to Paris.

Day 11 & 12 Take a guided tour of Paris (Champs-Elysees, Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower, Versailles, The Louvre and Notre Dame Cathedral.

Day 13 Depart for home



I have several participants signed up already. The price is going up soon so sign up now. The price is \$3,360 for a student and \$365 more for an adult. If we choose to add Paris it is \$595 extra. The price includes (airfare, hotel, morning and evening meals, motorcoach, and Eurostar) I have taken students and or parents from: Burlington, Idalia, Bethune, Stratton, Kit Carson, Liberty, Colorado Springs, and Denver.

If you want more information call Ken Sharp at the Burlington High School (719-346-8455) home (719-346-7465) or cell (719-342-5777) or email sharpster66@hotmail.com or ksharp@burlingtonk12.org You may sign-up for this trip at eftours.com Tour number 1147187

Letter From Michael Clark



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Don Anderson, Superintendent

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

As a parent of a student at Burlington High School, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teacher who instructs your child. This is a requirement for all districts that receive Title I funds. Federal law allows you to request certain information about your student's classroom teacher. The law also requires the district to give you this information in a timely manner upon request. Listed below is the information about which you have the right to ask for regarding each of your student's classroom teachers.

- Whether the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) has licensed or endorsed your student's teacher for the grades and subjects taught.
- Whether CDE has decided that your student's teacher can teach in a classroom without being licensed or qualified under state regulations because of special circumstances.
- The teacher's college major; whether the teacher has any advanced degrees, and, if so, the subject of the degrees.
- Whether any teachers' aides or similar paraeducators provide services to your child and, if they do, their qualifications.

Please contact Mike Clark at 719-346-8455 or by email at mclark@burlingtonk12.org if you would like to receive any of this information.

Sincerely,

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

On January 8, 2002, President Bush signed the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001 into law. The law states that any school that receives funds for educationally disadvantaged students (Title I funds) must inform parents if their child is assigned a teacher for **four** or more consecutive weeks who is not considered “highly qualified” under NCLB.

According to the *No Child Left Behind* law, a “highly qualified” teacher is one who:

1. Has obtained a Bachelor’s degree or higher;
2. Has obtained full State certification - in Colorado this means that the teacher has a valid, Colorado teaching license; and
3. Has demonstrated competency in the core academic subject area(s) that he/she teaches.

The core academic subjects are English; Reading or Language Arts; Mathematics; Science; Foreign Languages; Social Studies (Civics, Government, Economics, History, Geography); and The Arts (visual arts, Drama, Music).

All teachers who teach the core academic subjects had until the end of the 2006/2007 school year to meet all these NCLB requirements. Although Colorado has some of the most demanding certification requirements in the country, these requirements do not automatically mean that every teacher meets the highly qualified standard of NCLB, even if he or she has been teaching for years and has been performing at high levels. Certain teachers, even veteran teachers, may need time to comply with the new expectations.

As of this writing, all core teachers meet the high qualified status.

For additional information about the federal highly qualified teacher requirements and Colorado’s policies related to them, please visit the Colorado Department of Education’s website at: <http://www.cde.state.co.us/FedPrograms/NCLB/tiia.asp>

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Commitment to Excellence

From the Principal's Desk:

Congratulations to our Cougars Football team on their back to back State Championships. What an incredible season and what an incredible way to cap it off! We are extremely proud of our boys! Great job, you should be very proud of your stellar accomplishments. I would also like to congratulate our softball team for their state tournament appearance and our volleyball team for their regional appearance. Congratulations ladies!

As we head into Christmas break, we continue to celebrate and are very proud of the accomplishments of our top students. We are also proud of the improvement that many of our students have made in their grades. We also continue to have concerns for our students on the D/F list. We are implementing some new procedures to help motivate these students to take responsibility for their learning and to improve their grades. Our staff is more than willing to assist our students at any time before or after school. We also need parental support by consistently checking on your student's school work and making sure your student attends school and is on time. Remember that, as a parent, you can monitor your child's grades and attendance on Parents Online. Together we can raise student achievement in our schools.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our students and their families a very Merry Christmas. I hope you all have an enjoyable break and come back ready for a super second semester.