

# The School District of Osceola County, Florida

## Gateway High School

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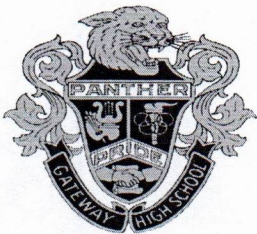
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February 2, 2024

Dear Parent or Guardian,

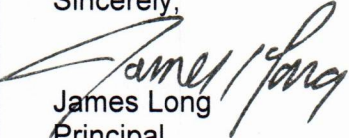
The Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) requires that any school in receipt of Title I Funds must inform parents if their child is assigned a teacher for four or more consecutive weeks who has not yet met state certification/licensure requirements at the grade level and/or subject area in which the teacher has been assigned.

At this time, your student is receiving instruction in Personal Finance and Money Management/ 9<sup>th</sup> grade from Ms. Melissa Polingo, a qualified paraprofessional who meets all professional qualifications. She has taught your student since August 8, 2023. This individual is providing the best educational experience possible during this interim period. A highly qualified teacher is expected to be hired in a timely manner.

The Osceola County School District is dedicated to meeting the educational needs of our students and we are working to ensure that your student receives the best possible education.

If you have any questions regarding Ms. Melissa Polingo's qualifications, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

  
James Long  
Principal

**Student Achievement – Our Number One Priority**

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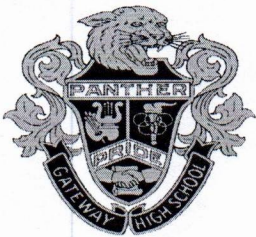
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Estimado Padre o Tutor,

La Ley Todo Estudiante Triunfa de 2015 (ESSA, por sus siglas en inglés) requiere que cualquier escuela que reciba fondos de Título I debe informar a los padres si su hijo está asignado a un maestro durante cuatro semanas consecutivas o más que todavía no ha completado los requisitos de la certificación/licencia estatal para el nivel de grado y/o área de estudio al que el maestro ha sido asignado.

Al momento de esta notificación, su hijo está recibiendo enseñanza en Finanzas Personales y Manejo de Dinero/ 9no. Grado por Sr. Melissa Polingo, asistente cualificado que cumple con todas las cualificaciones profesionales. Ella ha enseñado a su hijo desde *8 de agosto de 2023*. Esta persona le está proveyendo la mejor experiencia educativa posible durante este periodo temporal. Se anticipa contratar a un maestro altamente cualificado dentro de un tiempo razonable.

El Distrito Escolar del Condado Osceola está dedicado a cumplir con las necesidades de nuestros estudiantes y estamos trabajando para garantizar que su hijo reciba la mejor educación posible.

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta relacionada con las cualificaciones de la Sra. Melissa Polingo, favor de sentirse en la libertad de comunicarse conmigo.

Atentamente

James Long  
Director

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