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Mr. Jim Buckheit, Exec. Director
State Board of Education
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Dear Mr. Buckheit,

I respectfully request that you recognize the expertise of current instructional paraprofessionals and the continuous training they receive as meeting the requirements you suggested in the draft under Personnel. Paraprofessionals are a very important part of the educational community. In my dealings with these individuals I have the highest respect for their work ethic and how seriously they take their jobs. I respectfully submit that they are all highly qualified in my eyes.

Sincerely,

Giuseppe P. Ricciuti
School Secretary for 27 years.