# DAVIE COUNTY SCHOOLS TESTING PROGRAM 2018–19

#### **ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL**

#### **Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT)**

- The Cognitive Abilities Test<sup>™</sup> (CogAT) measures general reasoning abilities in three domains: verbal, quantitative, and nonverbal.
- The test is available in paper/pencil format and all items are multiple-choice.
- The CogAT is required by the district for all 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders and is used for placement into special programs and differentiation in the classroom.
- The testing window is the first week of December.
- Results are provided to parents through a letter sent home after the administration. Further result interpretation can be found here: https://www.hmhco.com/cogat/cogatprofile.

### **iReady**

Subject: English Language Arts/Reading

- iReady is a Read to Achieve Alternative Assessment approved by the State Board of Education (SBE) for use by local education agencies (LEAs).
- The test is available online and test items are technology enhanced.
- Students are required by the district to be assessed three times in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.
- Test windows are in September, December, and April.
- Results are used to personalize classroom instruction and to provide another method to meet the requirements of the Read to Achieve legislation.

## NC Check-ins

Subjects: English Language Arts/Reading, Math

- NC Check-Ins are interim assessments developed by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) that are aligned to North Carolina grade-level content standards in English language arts (ELA)/reading for grades 4–8 and in mathematics for grades 3–8.
- The test is given in a paper/pencil format and the item types are multiple choice and gridded response (Math).
- Students are required by the district to be assessed three times during the school year in the grades and subjects listed.
- Test windows are in October, January, and March.
- Results are used to personalize classroom instruction and to provide data to teachers on a student's current performance on content standards. It also provides exposure to test items of the same type and rigor of the End-of-Grade tests since they come from the same test item bank. Results are not used in a student's grade for the class.