

WHAT ARE THE LITERACY LAWS?

The TN Learning Loss Remediation and Student Acceleration Act and TN Literacy Success Act require school districts to identify K-3 learners not meeting reading expectations on benchmark and TCAP assessment. These students must be provided specific supports, parental notification, and considered for retention in 3rd grade.

- ★ SIGNIFICANT READING DEFICIENCY
- ★ AT RISK READING DEFICIENCY
- ★ APPROACHING EXPECTATIONS

WHAT IS FOUNDATIONAL LITERACY SKILLS INSTRUCTION?

Foundational Literacy Skills Instruction means evidence-based method of teaching students to read that includes phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension that enables students to develop reading skills required to meet Tennessee's academic standards.

FAQ

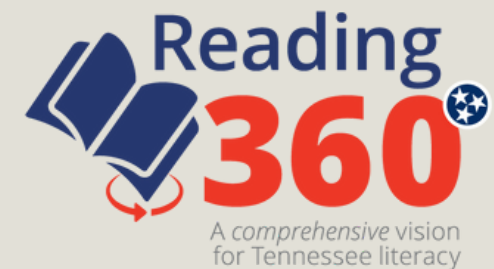
- ?** **What type of tutoring will be required for students who select this option?**
- A tutor will be assigned to your student through TACCL, and your child will be required to attend two 30-minute sessions each week for the full school year.
- ?** **What is the expected attendance for summer programming?**
- Students must have a 90% attendance rate.
- ?** **When will students be given the *benchmark assessments*?**
- iReady Reading assessment windows are:
- Window 1: August 8-19 (Kindergarten August 8-28)
Window 2: December 5-16
Window 3: April 24-May12
- ?** **What are the adequate gains my student must reach to determine if he or she is ready for the next grade level?**
- The summer post test will determine if a student has made adequate gains; however, we do not have a definitive score at this time.
- ?** **What are the dates for summer programming?**
- Summer programming dates have not been made available, but we will communicate these dates as soon as possible.
- ?** **What is the process for an appeal?**
- The state board of education has established an appeal process, to be administered by the department, for a student who is identified for retention in third grade based on achieving a performance level rating of "approaching" on the English Language Arts (ELA) portion of the student's most recent TCAP test.

If you have additional questions, please email us at mcs@maryville-schools.org

Additional information about Reading360 can be found on the TN Department of Education's website at tn.gove/education/reading-360.html

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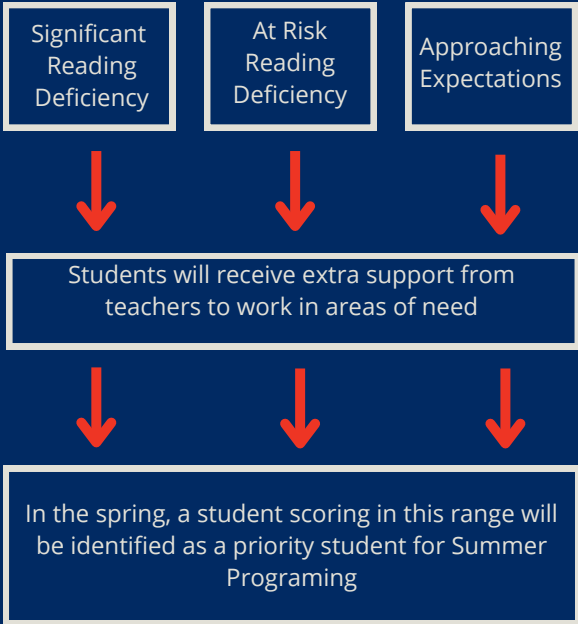
LITERACY LAWS SUMMARY



What I need to know when my child is in

kindergarten
1st Grade
2nd Grade

Students will be screened 3 times each school year on the iReady Diagnostic Benchmark. If your student scores in one of three categories below, you will receive notification from your child's school.



Literacy Level Percentages

SIGNIFICANT READING DEFICIENCY

15th percentile or below on the most recent iReady Diagnostic Reading Assessment

AT RISK READING DEFICIENCY

16th-40th percentile on the most recent iReady Diagnostic Reading Assessment

APPROACHING EXPECTATIONS

41st-60th percentile on the most recent iReady Diagnostic Reading Assessment

exemptions

All students must take the benchmark assessments and summative TCAP assessments. The following students are exempt from the Retention Law:

- Special Education Students (on a case-by-case basis)
- Previously Retained Students
- ELL students receiving less than 2 years of ELA instruction
- Approved appeals to the TN Department of Education
- Retested students scoring proficient before the new school year

What I need to know when my child is in

3rd Grade

BENCHMARKS

Students will be screened 3 times each school year. If your student scores in one of three categories below, you will receive notification from your child's school.



TCAP

Students will be given the spring 3rd grade TCAP English Language Arts (ELA) Assessment. If your student scores in one of the bottom two performance categories, you will receive notification from your child's school under the guidance of the The TN Learning Loss Remediation and Student Acceleration Act

