



DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

The Science of Reading

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Dear Dexter Families and Staff,

I wanted to invite you to join us for a compelling presentation called **The Science of Reading** that will be held on **March 7th at 6pm in the Dexter High School CPA at 2200 N. Parker Rd.**

The 2022 [National Assessment of Education Progress \(NAEP\)](#) scores showed that elementary student reading proficiency has stagnated or declined across the country compared to 2019. While reading proficiency scores the results speak to the impact of the pandemic on student learning, students' ongoing challenges with reading proficiency point to a deeper problem: most elementary reading instruction doesn't follow the science. Research on the science of reading provides very clear insight into how educators can effectively teach students to read by focusing on foundational skills in the early grades. Unfortunately, this information is often missing from teacher preparation programs and can be overlooked in many reading approaches. A few districts, however, have seen revolutionary improvements in reading outcomes in recent years. Please join EAB, a best-practices research and advisory services firm, to learn about how the brain learns to read and what that means for instruction. You'll also hear about how Dexter is following in the footsteps of exemplary districts by ensuring that every administrator and teacher is equipped with a scientific understanding of how the brain learns to read, and how those insights should inform instruction.

Please join us!

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Superintendent

