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Dear Parent:

This letter is notification as required under House Bill 657, because your student will be affected by the State's Student Success Initiative (SSI) requirements this year. This legislation requires students to pass their reading and mathematics state assessments for promotion to the next grade level. SSI requirements include up to two retests in order to give each student the opportunity to pass.

Students who receive special education services, and who fail to meet standards on the reading or mathematics state assessment, will have an admission, review, and dismissal (ARD) committee meeting conducted on their behalf prior to the second test administration. At this ARD, three options will be decided upon:

1. Will the student be required to take another test administration?
2. If the student will have subsequent retests waived, will the student be promoted based on the academic progress demonstrated in their individual education plan (IEP) or retained at their current grade level?
3. How will the student participate in an accelerated instruction program in the subject area(s) in which state standards were not met?

We hope that this will clarify the options available and help you prepare for important decisions that may need to be addressed as your child continues to pursue academic excellence. We are excited to work with you to ensure your child's needs are met as we continue to have high expectations for all students in our district.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Stephen Edwards at sfe@hfhorns.net or (409) 243-2133.

Sincerely,

Stephen Edwards
Assistant Superintendent