

August 22, 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian,



At Whittaker Elementary School, we are committed to ensuring every child develops strong reading and math skills that will prepare them for success in school and beyond. Recently, your child completed the i-Ready Diagnostic Assessment. This assessment helps us understand your child's current performance level in reading and mathematics compared to grade-level proficiency. Your child's reading level will be shared below.

Based on the i-Ready grade-level cut scores, your child's results in reading indicate that he/she is **performing below grade level expectation**. According to the Read to Succeed Law, all students must be reading on grade level by the end of third grade. Act 114 requires that beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, a student must be retained in the third grade if the student fails to demonstrate reading proficiency. The i-Ready assessment helps teachers to monitor your child's progress toward achieving grade-level proficiency. Your child, _____, scored a _____ on the i-Ready reading. The grade-level expectation for the fall administration of i-Ready is _____.

At school, your child will receive targeted instruction and intervention designed to build the skills necessary for success. At home, please encourage your child to read for at least 20 minutes daily, talk with your child about what they are reading, encourage them to do their best on their i-Ready personalized lesson, make sure they attend school daily and complete their homework nightly, and reach out to your child's teacher if you would like specific activities and resources.

Your partnership is vital in supporting your child's growth. We will continue to monitor your child's progress throughout the year and keep you updated. If you have questions about your child's scores or the Read to Succeed requirements, please contact your child's teacher at (803) 534-6559.

Thank you for working with us to support your child's success. Together, we can ensure your child has the skills and confidence to thrive.

Sincerely,

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