Readington Township Public Schools
Together, Inquire and Inspire
www.readington.k12.nj.us

Jonathan Hart, Ph.D., *Superintendent* jhart@readington.k12.nj.us
Stacey Brown, Ph.D., *Supervisor of Humanities* sbrown@readington.k12.nj.us
Sarah Pauch, Supervisor of Math, Science, Technology spauch@readington.k12.nj.us

P.O. Box 807 • 52 Readington Road • Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889 • (908)-534-2195 • (908) 349-3042 fax

What is *i-Ready*?
i-Ready is an online program used alongside our core instructional programs that will help us determine your student's strengths and areas for growth, personalize their learning, and monitor their progress throughout the school year.

i-Ready Inform (formerly i-Ready Diagnostic) is an adaptive assessment that adjusts its questions based on student responses. Each item a student receives is based on their answer to the previous question. For example, a series of correct answers will result in slightly harder questions, while a series of incorrect answers will yield slightly easier ones. The purpose of this is not to give your student a score or grade but to determine how to best support their learning.
Here's what your student's teacher will be sharing with them as we prepare for *i-Ready Inform:*

- It will take us a few sessions to complete the assessment, so we will take some breaks throughout.
- The questions change to help match what you're ready to learn. Sometimes the questions will feel easy, and sometimes they might feel a little hard.
- It's OK to not know every answer, so just try your best!
- I'm going to use this data to plan fun lessons that are "just right" for you.

What happens next?
Your child's teacher will inform you when the class will be taking the assessment. i-Ready Inform provides results that help teachers identify children's strengths and determine next steps for instruction. This assessment is also used as one of the criteria for placement in Gifted & Talented, Intervention, and Third Grade Honors Math.

If you have any questions about i-Ready, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. . You can also learn more about i-Ready by visiting i-ReadyCentral.com/FamilyCenter or the District Website.

What can I do to help?
<u>The most important thing we can do is prepare students and motivate them to do their best.</u>
Here are a few things you can do to help support your student:

- Make sure they get a good night's rest before taking the assessment!
- Talk to your student about why *i-Ready Inform* is important. You can say things like:
    - i-Ready Inform *helps you and your teacher find out what you know and what you are ready to learn.*
    - *Try your best and take your time. If you get stuck on a question, make your best guess and move on.*
    - *Remember, questions will change based on your answers to earlier questions. You will see some questions you don't know. That is okay! Just try your best.*
- Let them know you're excited to hear about how it goes and to ask them about their experience.