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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Most third grade students in the Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) take the Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test – Third Edition (NNAT3). This letter conveys to you the results of that testing that accompanies the **"NNAT3 Home Report"** which contains individual student results.

How do I interpret the results?
The **NNAT3 Home Report** shows your child's performance on the NNAT3. It is important that you review and understand the results. First, check that the student information contained at the top of the page is accurate by verifying your child's name, age, and school. Second, starting with the two squares containing scores in the middle of the report, look to see the scores your student received for the **Naglieri Ability Index** and the **Percentile Rank.**

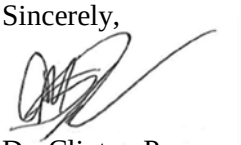
Percentile Rank is probably the most useful score. It is the national percentile score which is actually your child's rank in comparison to other children across the nation of the same age. Percentile scores range from 1 to 99 and the national average is 50. If a student scores a Percentile Rank of 55 it means that the student did as well as or better than 55% of the students at his/her age. Check to see whether your child's score is above or below the national average. Ask yourself if the score seems to fit what you know about your student.

Naglieri Ability Index reflects the same result shown in the Percentile Rank but on a different scale. Most children's scores fall between 90 and 110. You can use the graph above the two squares to better understand how your student's score, identified by a diamond, compared to the national sample of students their age. The Description ranges (for example, "Low Average" or "Average") provided are meant to assist your general understanding of your child's performance. The score ranges assigned and the Descriptions themselves are not absolute.

Test results can be used in a number of ways by teachers, administrators, and parents; however, norm-referenced tests, such as the NNAT3, are limited to measuring the types of nonverbal abilities that students can show on a thirty-minute assessment. No test or testing program is 100% accurate for every individual. Classroom teacher comments are probably the best indicators of a student's skill mastery.

If you have questions, please contact your child's teacher, counselor, or principal. If you have additional questions, please call our office at 703.619.8032.

Sincerely,



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