

#### WAKE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

## **Read to Achieve**

The Read to Achieve program is part of The Excellent Public Schools Act of N.C. (NC House Bill 950), which became law in July 2012.

## **Goal of Legislation**

- All students proficient readers by the end of third grade.
- Gives students multiple opportunities to show proficiency
- Gives extra support to third and fourth grade students



#### **KEY QUESTIONS**

- What steps are being taken to get your 3<sup>rd</sup>-grader reading at or above grade level?
- How will the State determine if your child is reading at or above grade level?
- What will happen if your child isn't reading at or above grade level?
- How can you help your child with his or her reading?

What steps are being taken to get your 3rd grader reading at or above grade level? We are providing strong instruction in literacy.



#### What steps are being taken to get your 3rd grader reading at or above grade level? We are providing extra help to students who need it.



What steps are being taken to get your 3rd grader reading at or above grade level? We are gathering information on your child's progress.





Your child's teacher will continue to observe and monitor their progress. These assessments include Istation along with the EOG.

## What is Istation?



#### **ISIP Early & Advanced Reading Subtests**

- Measures the skills that are most predictive of future reading success
- Measures progress of each area in manner that is appropriate to the domain
- Provides a comprehensive snapshot of reading ability

Initial Grade Level Testing Domains	PreK	К	1st	2nd	3rd	4-
Listening Comprehension	х	Х				į.
Letter Knowledge (Phonics)	х	х	х			
Phonemic Awareness	х	х	х			
Alphabetic Decoding (Phonics)			х			
Vocabulary	х	Х	х	х	х	х
Spelling			х	Х	х	Х
Comprehension			х	Х	х	х
Fluency *			х	х	х	Х

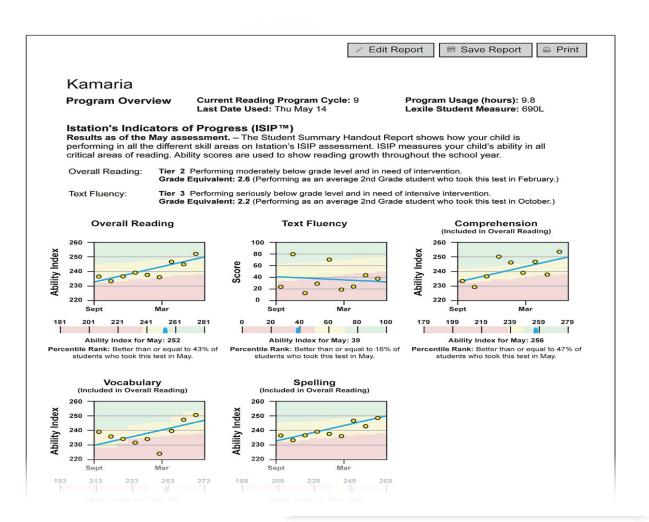
\*Fluency measures end of grade level expectations.

What steps are being taken to get your 3rd grader reading at or above grade level? We are <u>sharing</u> information on your child's progress.



We'll talk about this specifically during conferences, emails, or reports home. Results of their formal assessments

You will get formal reports, including the Student Summary Handout. What steps are being taken to get your 3rd grader reading at or above grade level? We are <u>sharing</u> information on your child's progress.



### Results of their formal assessments





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**Program Overview** 

Current Reading Program Cycle: 9 Last Date Used: Thu May 14 Program Usage (hours): 9.8 Lexile Student Measure: 690L

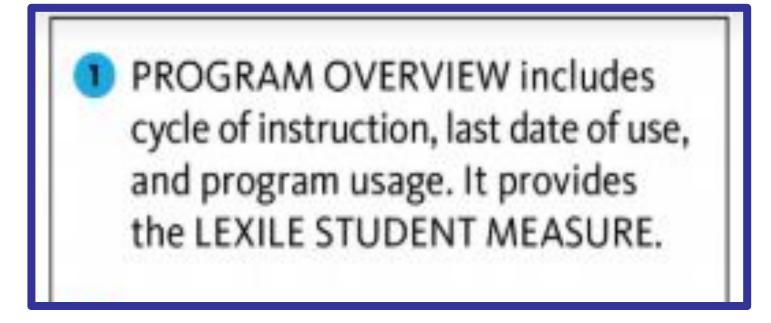
#### Istation's Indicators of Progress (ISIP™)

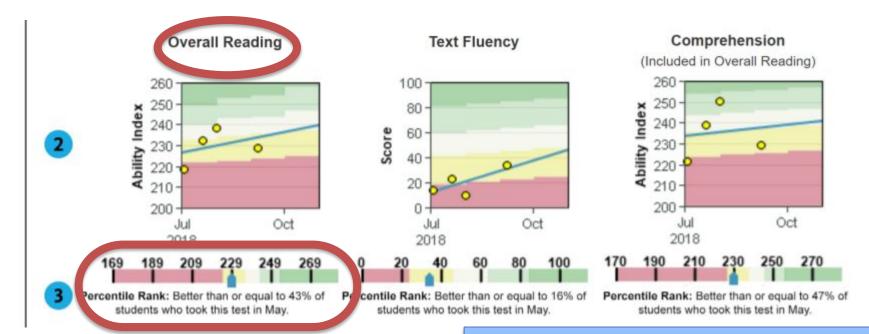
Results as of the May assessment. – The Student Summary Handout Report shows how your child is performing in all the different skill areas on Istation's ISIP assessment. ISIP measures your child's ability in all critical areas of reading. Ability scores are used to show reading growth throughout the school year.

Overall Reading: Level 2: At or below the 40th percentile rank

Text Fluency:

Level 2: At or below the 40th percentile rank





- 2 ABILITY INDEX shows reading growth throughout the school year.
- 3 PERCENTILE RANK identifies the student's results as compared to others who took the assessment at the same time.

- What do we know about this student as a reader?
- Overall Reading has shown growth but with some inconsistencies
- Text fluency is challenging for this student.
- Comprehension is showing growth but with inconsistencies.

Classroom instruction will support growth in these areas.



Reason Listed on Priority Report	Status	Date Listed	Intervention Delivered	Delivered By
ISIP Early Reading: Text Fluency	$\bigcirc$	Thu May 7	-	-
ISIP Early Reading: Spelling	x	Thu May 7		
ISIP Early Reading: Comprehension	0	Thu May 7	~	-
ISIP Early Reading: Vocabulary	X	Thu April 9	Thu May 7	Ms. Taylor
ISIP Early Reading: Text Fluency	X	Thu April 9	Thu May 7	Ms. Taylor

#### Legend

Some Difficulty - Student is demonstrating some weakness with this skill

Struggling - Student is demonstrating significant weakness with this skill

Ongoing Difficulty - Student is continuing to demonstrate some weakness with this skill

Ongoing Struggles - Student is continuing to demonstrate significant weakness with this skill

- PRIORITY REPORT OVERVIEW lists the last five Priority Report alerts. This section can be included at the teacher's discretion.
- INTERVENTION DELIVERED documents the date of intervention.
- 6 DELIVERED BY identifies who delivered the intervention.

## What do we know about this student's progress with instruction?

- The most challenging areas for this student would be in the areas of Vocabulary and Text Fluency.
- Comprehension and Spelling continue to be a concern as well.
- The frequency of instruction is concentrated in the areas that are showing the greatest need.

The law outlines that if a 3<sup>rd</sup>-grader is NOT reading at grade level by the end of Grade 3, they will be encouraged to attend a free, district-sponsored reading camp, offered for at least 72 hours, to receive additional reading support.

Students will be invited to attend the reading camp during the summer, if they do not pass the Reading EOG or qualify for a *good cause exemption*.

#### How will the State determine that your child is reading at or above grade level?

# Good cause exemptions include any student who:

- demonstrates proficiency on **Read to Achieve Test**
- is a Limited English Proficient (LEP) student with fewer than two years of instruction in the ESL program
- has a disability and whose individualized education program (IEP) indicates (i) use of the NCEXTEND 1 alternate assessment, (ii) at least a two-school-year delay in educational performance or (iii) receipt of intensive reading interventions for at least two school years
- has (i) received reading intervention and (ii) previously been retained more than once in kindergarten or Grades 1 through 3
- demonstrates reading proficiency appropriate for 3<sup>rd</sup>-grade students on approved alternate assessments approved by the State Board of Education

# If your child is determined to be reading below grade level, you have two choices:

#### Attend Camp

- Your child will be retested at the end of camp and move into the 4th grade if proficient.
- Children who are still not reading at grade level will have a 'retention designation' and receive additional support in 4<sup>th</sup> grade.
- The retention designation will be removed if the child demonstrates proficiency by mid-year of 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### **Decline Camp**

- Your child will have the opportunity to take an assessment on a designated date and time.
- Students who are not proficient based on the assessment will have a 'retention designation' and receive additional support in 4<sup>th</sup> grade.
- The retention designation will be removed if the child demonstrates proficiency by mid-year of 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

### How can I help my child with his or her reading?



## Read together for at least 20 minutes each day!

- Parent/Teacher
  Communication
- Reading with ISIP Adaptive Activities (40 minutes/week)
- Visit the library
- Stay involved