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Dear Parents and Families of Third Grade Students,

As part of the Read to Achieve legislation (G.S. §115C-83.1A) passed by the North Carolina General Assembly in 2012, your child was given a Beginning-of-Grade [BOG] standardized test to establish a baseline measure in reading this September. An individual student report of your child's performance on the BOG in reading is attached to this letter. These performance results will help you and your child's teachers address the learning needs of your child, so that he or she will continue to progress toward End-of-Grade proficiency expectations in reading.

As you review your child's score report, I encourage you to make notes about your child's performance on this Beginning-of-Grade assessment and other questions you may have about his or her academic progress. In the middle column, the report gives a scale score, a percentile, achievement level, a Lexile score, and whether or not the Read-to-Achieve promotion standard has been met. Please refer to the bottom of the report for explanations of each of the scores given. Students will have several opportunities to meet Read-to-Achieve promotion standards throughout the school year.

Please remember that test scores should always be considered along with all other available information provided about your child. Any standardized test score is just a single indicator of student performance and just one piece of the educational picture. Your child's teacher can best describe your child's daily academic performance, in addition to specific strengths and weaknesses observed throughout the school year.

If you have questions or concerns about this assessment or the Read to Achieve legislation requirements, please ask your teacher during the parent teacher conferences being this fall. More information can also be obtained by visiting the Read-to-achieve Parent Livebinder. The link is posted at the bottom of this letter. We all look forward to continuing our service to you and your child, and are making every effort to ensure your child's success this school year.

Sincerely,

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