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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Each year, the St. Johns County School District (SJCS D) administers the i-Ready diagnostic assessment to all students in grades K-5 and select students in grades 6-8.

What is i-Ready?

i-Ready is an online program that will help us determine your child's strengths and areas for growth, personalize their learning, and monitor their progress throughout the school year. *i-Ready* allows us to meet your child where they are and provides us with data to inform instruction.

The ***i-Ready Diagnostic*** is an adaptive assessment that adjusts its questions to suit your child's needs. 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 child a score or grade but to determine how to best support their learning.

What can I do to help?

To help prepare your child for the ***i-Ready Diagnostic***, encourage them to:

- Get a good night's sleep and eat a full breakfast the day of the assessment.
- Try their best on each question and try not to rush.
- Try not to worry about questions to which they do not know the answers—remind them that it is expected that they will only get about half of the questions correct.
- Be respectful of other students who take longer to finish.

What happens next?

The ***i-Ready Diagnostic*** results provide teachers with specific information identifying next steps in instruction specifically designed for your child. After the assessment, your child's teacher will communicate the results of the assessment.

If you have any questions about *i-Ready*, please do not hesitate to contact Michelle Jackson via email at michelle.jackson@stjohns.k12.fl.us. You can also learn more about *i-Ready* by visiting i-ReadyCentral.com/FamilyCenter.

As always, thank you for your continued support and for being a partner in your child's learning!

Sincerely,

Amanda L. Riedl, Principal