



Saville Elementary School

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Very Important Papers:

Parents & Guardians:

Attached you will find several items. These items are even more important in 3rd Grade. All 3rd graders in the State of Ohio have to meet the requirements of the 3rd Grade Guarantee. This means they need to be reading at a basic level as determined by State Legislators. Over the past 2 years, 100% of Saville 3rd graders have met this requirement in some fashion. My hope is to provide you a quick overview to understand the different ways your child can meet this requirement.

1. **State testing** – 3rd grade students take this reading test up to three times (Fall, Spring, Summer).

All students take this test in the Fall & Spring

- a. Students must hit a **scaled score of 677**. The State Board of Education has voted to raise the promotion score of the grade 3 Ohio's State Test in English Language Arts to **677 for the 2018-2019 school year**. Any student who scores **677 or higher** on the English language arts scaled score will be eligible for promotion at the end of the year.
 - b. In addition, the Ohio Department of Education has set the reading subscore alternative promotion score for the grade 3 English language arts test at **45 for the 2018-2019 school year**. Any student who scores **45 or higher** on the reading subscore will be eligible for promotion at the end of the year, even if the student scores below 677 on the English language arts test.
 - i. While rare, it is possible that a student have a scaled score below 677 but have a reading subscore of 45 or higher which results in "meeting the promotion score."
2. **District alternative test** – The state allows us to administer an additional test called the NWEA MAP reading assessment. A passing score on this test is a **RIT score of 193**. I will note that on each report. This test is administered to a group in December, March, and May.
 3. If your child is identified with a learning disability and has a goal in reading, it is possible that he/she will be exempt from the consequences of the Guarantee.

Should you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher or Mr. Kandel. As we take the next MAP assessment, we will send home data regarding that.

Thank you,

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