Dear Parents,

*i-Ready® Diagnostic & Instruction,* an adaptive assessment and personalized instruction program for reading and math.*i-Ready* will help assess the needs of your child. It will also provide your child with an individualized Online Instruction based on their individual skill level (optional – ask your teacher if you wish to participate).

Please review the following information prior to testing.

* Each subject test will take about an hour to complete.
* Tests are not timed so give your student breaks as needed. The assessment may be started, stopped, and restarted as needed within a 21-day period.
* I-Ready is adaptive so each question that a student sees is individualized based on their answer to a previous question. Correct answers will result in slightly harder questions, while incorrect answers will yield slightly easier questions.
* The assessment assumes that students will not know the answer to every question. Please explain to your child that “it is OK” not to know every answer and that they should do their best on each question.
* The results of the assessment will provide us with an instructional assessment based on what your child “can do” and “the next steps for instruction.”

Here are some suggestions to help them do their best:

* Eat a good breakfast and be rested for the assessment
* Try their best on each question and try not to rush
* Try not to worry about questions they do not know—remind them that it is expected they will get about half of the questions correct
* Remind them that they will get assessment “breaks” that are integrated into the assessment
* **Have paper and pencil handy for math questions**