

Third Grade Reading Guarantee

All students entering the third grade must demonstrate a certain level of competency in reading before advancing to the fourth grade. The reading skills assessment shall be completed by the thirtieth day of September for students in grades one to three, and by the twentieth day of instruction of the school year for students in kindergarten. Each district shall use the diagnostic assessment to measure reading ability for the appropriate grade level adopted under section [3301.079](#) of the Revised Code, or a comparable tool approved by the department of education, to identify such students.

In accordance with State law, the Superintendent shall develop a program for the annual assessment of the reading skills of each student at the end of first, second, and third grade, and identify those students who are reading below their grade level. Each student's classroom teacher shall be involved in the assessment and identification of those students who are reading below grade level.

The District shall provide intervention services to students whose assessments show that they are failing to make satisfactory progress toward attaining the academic standards for their grade level.

Third Grade Reading Guarantee 2022-2023 Promotion Score

State law requires the State Board of Education to annually increase the promotion score on Ohio's State Test for grade 3 English language arts until it reaches proficient for the 2024-2025 school year. Accordingly, the State Board voted to raise the promotion score for grade 3 English language arts to **685** for the 2022-2023 school year. Any student who scores 685 or higher on the English language arts scaled score will be eligible for promotion to fourth grade at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.

In addition, the Ohio Department of Education has set the reading subscore alternative assessment score for Ohio's State Test for grade 3 English language arts test at **47** for the 2022-2023 school year. Any student who scores 47 or higher on the reading subscore will be eligible

for promotion to fourth grade at the end of the 2022-2023 school year, even if the student scores below 685 on Ohio's State Test for grade 3 English language arts.

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