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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Office of Education is excited to share that your school will be implementing a Mathematics and Reading assessment called *i*-Ready in the 2023-2024 school year! *i*-Ready is a formative/benchmark assessment that will be administered to all students in grades K-8 in SY2023-2024. The program will replace the currently administered IOWA Assessment and Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) next year. Below, please find information about the assessment and how it can be used in the classroom.

What is *i-Ready*?

i-Ready is an online assessment 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.

Thank you for your continued support and for being a partner in your child's learning! If you have any questions about *i-Ready*, please do not hesitate to contact your child's school or Michael Mastrocinque, Director of Instruction for the Diocese of Raleigh. You can also learn more about *i-Ready* by visiting <u>i-ReadyCentral.com/FamilyCenter</u>.

In His Service,

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