



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Recent changes in federal and state laws have directed schools to focus more on helping all children learn by addressing needs earlier within the general education setting. These new laws emphasize the importance of providing high quality instruction and include a problem-solving component designed to provide support to match students' need. This new process is called Response-To-Intervention (RtI). To facilitate this problem-solving process, screening assessments are given three times per year to all students within our district.

Our district is currently in the process of providing the Fall screening assessments. All students in grade 1-8 will complete a reading skills and math skills assessment. Kindergarten students will only complete a reading skills assessment. The data generated from these screening measures along with student performance within the general education setting will be utilized to make decisions regarding the student's educational program and needs. As soon as assessment data indicates a needs area for a student, parents will be notified and interventions aligned to those needs will be provided in a small group setting.

For further information explaining our district's RtI structure, please visit the district website to view our *Step Into RtI* parent guide. You may also contact Donelle Staples, the district RtI Facilitator, at 847-740-1490 x3031 if further questions arise.