



# Our Promise, Our Partnership: Third Grade Literacy Success

Scholars who do not read proficiently by third grade are four times more likely to drop out of high school. Our promise to you and your scholar is that, through our partnership, we can mitigate this from happening. Let's work together toward your child's third grade literacy success.

This year, the Tennessee State Department of Education is implementing a new law concerning third grade promotion based on literacy or English/Language outcomes on the TNReady state assessment.



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## Here's how you can support your child's learning:

- Make sure your child attends school every day.
- Attend our Road to Ready Afterschool Tutoring Program
- Develop a strong relationship and communication strategy with your child's third grade teachers.
- Pay close attention to information sent home from school, especially letters sharing your child's progress in third grade.
- Set a goal to read aloud twenty minutes each day. You can also order decodables to practice the fluency lessons your child learned in second grade.

### You're Promoted

Level 4	Mastered
Level 3	On track
Level 2	Approaching
Level 1	Below

Scholars scoring **On Track (Level 3)** or **Mastered (Level 4)** on the TN Ready ELA assessment will be promoted to fourth grade.

### Your Options

Scholars scoring **Approaching (Level 2)** must participate in **one** of the following programs:

**Option 1:** Attend Gestalt's Summer Learning Academy with a 90% attendance rate.

**or**

**Option 2:** Attend tutoring throughout the entire fourth grade year with a 90% attendance rate.

**The scholar must have passing post test scores and grades to be promoted.**

### Your Requirements

Scholars scoring **Below (Level 1)** must participate in **both** of the following programs:

**Requirement 1:** Attend Gestalt's Summer Learning Academy with a 90% attendance rate.

**and**

**Requirement 2:** Attend tutoring throughout the entire fourth grade year with a 90% attendance rate.

If a scholar does not participate in the options or requirements, they will be retained to third grade. There are two exceptions:

- 1.If your scholar is an English language learner and has received less than two years of ELA instruction.
- 2.If your scholar was previously retained in grades kindergarten through third grade.

*\*The IEP team will meet with scholars to determine if your scholar is promoted or retained.*