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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Enclosed you will find your child's DIBELS and MAP® Growth™ test results. DIBELS is given in Grades KG to Grade 3 to assess foundational literacy skills. Both tests determine your child's instructional level, but also measure their academic growth throughout the school year, from fall to winter and winter to spring. NWEA provides results in both Reading and Math.

DIBELS tasks are comprised of seven measures to function as indicators of phonemic awareness, alphabetic principle, accuracy and fluency with connected text, reading comprehension, and vocabulary. DIBELS is designed for use in identifying children experiencing difficulty in acquisition of basic early literacy skills in order to provide early support and prevent the occurrence of later reading difficulties. The data is used to place students into small groups for targeted instruction, to provide personalized interventions through eSpark, and for teacher created interventions. Students receive support and interventions based on their lowest data point (skill).

MAP Growth tests from NWEA® are unique in that they are adaptive tests taken on a computer or tablet. This means the test became more difficult when your child answered a question correctly. And when your child answered a question incorrectly, the test became easier. Ultimately, your child took a test specifically targeting their learning level. In addition, the information presented on the test is aligned with our YCSD Curriculum and Ohio's Learning Standards, which is the same information that your child has been exposed to in school.

Your child's MAP Growth results are represented as **RIT scores**. Like inches on a ruler, the RIT scale measures in equal intervals, regardless of a student's grade—and it remains stable over time. As a result, we can accurately measure students' growth in between tests and understand if they are performing on, above, or below grade level. RIT scores enable teachers to recognize where to focus attention to optimize your child's learning and to monitor their progress.

Attached to this letter is a document called ***Parents Guide to MAP Growth***. Student growth data is calculated using anonymous test results from more than 10 million students around the country. Knowing the top, middle, and bottom scores of all these students combined allows teachers to compare where your child is in relation to other students across the country to help them grow.

We hope you find these reports informative. If you have questions about these reports, please contact your classroom teacher, building principal or Tim Filipovich at 330-744-6980.

For more information about DIBELS and MAP Growth, visit: <https://dibels.uoregon.edu/>; [NWEA.org/Parent-Toolkit](https://nwea.org/Parent-Toolkit).

Sincerely,

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