

Clinton County R-III School District

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Missouri statute Section 167.645, RSMo (SB 681) requires school districts to conduct a foundational reading assessment as well as a dyslexia screener annually. The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) has approved NWEA as a Missouri Foundational Reading Assessment and dyslexia screening tool.

Missouri's Foundational Reading Assessment helps identify students who may have some reading difficulties. Students are assessed in the areas of phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension using NWEA. The results of the assessment will help identify students who are in need of a Reading Success Plan, a detailed plan on how we will support students in the area of reading in the classroom.

In the Clinton County R3 School District, we recognize that early reading skills are strong predictors of lifelong academic success for our students. Our teachers dedicate significant instructional time to supporting students in developing literacy skills. We have numerous supports in place, including:

- High-quality curriculum for all students
- High-quality classroom teachers
- Daily small group targeted instruction
- Regular assessment of each child's reading progress
- A comprehensive multi-tiered system of support

In order to meet the requirements of Senate Bill 681, starting this school year, we will also:

- Develop a Reading Success Plan (RSP) for students needing support
- Provide a copy of the RSP to parents for review
- Gather parent/guardian input
- Progress monitor frequently and document progress
- Communicate & collaborate frequently with parents regarding student's progress
- Provide at-home resources to help students' work toward grade-level proficiency

We are honored to have the privilege to work with you and your child to build his/her skills as an independent reader across the curriculum. As a commitment to your child's success, we screen all students, K-5, with the NWEA Reading Fluency assessment three times a year.

At-Home Reading Activities for Parents & Caregivers:

<u>Literacy Central</u>

Reading Rockets

Improving Literacy