

As part of the Third Grade Reading Guarantee, all Ohio Public schools are required to conduct diagnostic reading assessments on all students in grades K-3. This must be completed for grades K-3 by September 30. Spencerville Local schools uses Aimseb as the diagnostic assessment tool to make this determination. Aimsweb in grades K and 1 assess basic early literacy skills, while grades 2 and 3 assess vocabulary, reading fluency and comprehension.

As a result of these assessments, teachers must identify students as **“on track”** (meaning their performance is meeting expectations for students entering their current grade level) or **“not on track”** (meaning their performance is currently below expectations for students entering their current grade level). Schools are then required to notify parents if your student is not on track. With parent input, a Reading Improvement and Monitoring Plan (RIMP) is created that will describe the interventions that will be delivered to remedy the student’s specific reading deficiencies.

If your student is identified as “off track”, you will be encouraged to attend an informational meeting that will provide information of the interventions your student will be receiving and what steps you can take at home to help. . Interventions will begin immediately in an effort to move your student “on track”. Teachers will also present the RIMP at conferences and give detailed information about your student’s reading skills. Please understand that a RIMP does not mean your student will not be successful in school. We have confidence that will the well-trained staff at Spencerville Schools, along with additional support at home, we can all help our students grow and succeed.

The staff at Spencerville Schools makes every effort to ensure that your student is academically successful. We appreciate your partnership in our efforts to help prepare your student for success in school and for the opportunities that will arise beyond their years at Spencerville. Please feel free to contact me or your student’s teacher should you have any additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Susan M Wagner

K-4 Principal.