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Dear Parents,

Respectfully,

As you know, reading is the most important academic skill since it is the foundation of all learning. From kindergarten to third grade, children learn to read. After third grade, they read to learn. In fact, one of the strongest predictors of whether students will graduate from high school is third grade reading proficiency. Therefore, Miami-Dade County Public Schools makes every effort to provide a solid reading foundation for all our students and to identify those who may need additional assistance as early as possible.

Your child has been identified as needing additional support. Therefore, in addition to the 90-minute Language Arts/Reading class, he/she will participate in reading intervention that specifically meets your child's needs in the following components of reading: phonological awareness, phonics, high-frequency words, vocabulary, and comprehension. The attached i-Ready Parent Report provides information regarding how your child is doing in these areas and a brief description of each area.

In addition, we have put together a Read-at-Home Plan, which includes strategies and activities that target the above-mentioned areas and provides guidance on ways you can support your child at home. This plan can be accessed on your child's school website or the English Language Arts website at ela.dadeschools.net.

We are excited to work collaboratively, as a team, to accelerate your child's progress throughout the school year. As always, do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you need additional information or assistance.

Alonza Pendergrass, Principal Air Base K-8 Center for International Education \* I am in receipt of this letter. Parent/Guardian Signature:\_\_ Date: