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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) is pleased to inform you that students in grades K-3 will be using *Amplify's mClass with DIBELS 8th Edition*. This assessment has been chosen in accordance with Maryland Senate Bill 734, which requires screening of every kindergarten, first, second, and third-grade student to identify if the student is at risk for reading difficulties. *Amplify's mClass with DIBELS 8th Edition* is a series of brief assessments that are administered one-on-one. The assessment results will help teachers determine students' abilities in the areas of phonological awareness, phonics, and reading comprehension. These series of measures will take 5-8 minutes per child. *Amplify's mClass with DIBELS 8th Edition* assessment will be administered between September 23 and October 17, 2024.

Teachers and staff will use the results from *Amplify's mClass with DIBELS 8th Edition* assessment to identify students who are in need of supplemental instruction and to provide individualized instruction for all students. Since this assessment is an instructional tool for teachers no grade will be assigned. Parents/Guardians will receive a report with their child's testing results after the administration.

If you have any questions, please reach out to the reading teachers or School Testing Coordinator (STC).

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