

## KNOX COUNTY SCHOOLS TEACHING & LEARNING DEPARTMENT

## Dear Parent or Guardian:

Knox County Schools screens students in the areas of reading/ELA and mathematics. The purpose of an academic screener is to determine whether students demonstrate the skills necessary to achieve grade-level standards. The screener is not used to predict TNReady performance, nor is it used for a grade.

Your child was screened using the aimswebPlus assessment tool, which is used to help teachers provide instruction at the appropriate level for all students. The results of this screener are coupled with other data sources to help teachers ensure that students' instruction is best tailored to their individual needs. Classroom teachers use flexible small groups to target specific skills in reading/ELA and mathematics.

The report attached displays a chart showing performance and narrative information about individual and composite scores. The composite score is a combination of the assessments given within a particular area. For example, for 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, the reading composite score includes assessments in vocabulary, silent reading fluency, and reading comprehension.

The graph shows your child's benchmark test results as compared to a national sample of students in the same grade level for each assessment given and the composite score for the combined measures.

It is important to understand that these test scores provide only one view of how your child is doing in school. It is also important to take the current pandemic into consideration as scores are reviewed. Classroom teachers are working daily to support all students to ensure academic success.

If	you would	11	ike	further	inf	formation,	please	contact	your c	hild's	teacher.

Sincerely,

RTI<sup>2</sup> Team