# A Parent’s Guide to Assessments

## THE READING INVENTORY (RI) aka Scholastic Reading Inventory (SRI)

Assessments provide valuable information for students, parents and educators on whether students have mastered grade level and content standards and are on track to graduate prepared for the 21st century. These assessment results are intended to provide one measure in a body of evidence of your child’s academic progress.

### WHAT IS THIS ASSESSMENT?

SRI is a computer adaptive assessment that measures both foundational reading fluency and reading comprehension. SRI tracks reading skills from early sight words through college and career level texts. Using the Lexile Framework for Reading, SRI helps educators forecast a student’s trajectory to grade level proficiency and college and career readiness, differentiate instructions, plan targeted interventions and demonstrate accountability with actionable data.

### WHEN IS MY CHILD BEING TESTED?

SRI is administered to students in grades 6-12 who are part of the READ Act Cohort. The READ Act testing windows occur for six weeks in the fall and spring.

**Testing Window**  
A testing window is a period of time where your student may test on some days and receive instruction on others. Students do not test during the entire window. For specific test dates for your student, please check with your child’s teacher.

Your child will be administered the assessment once in each window, and they will only test on certain days based on grade, not during the entire window. Each assessment takes 20-40 minutes based on their grade and reading level. SRI can also be administered throughout the entire school year for progress monitoring. Please check with our child’s teacher to find out their testing schedule.

### WHAT SCORE(S) WILL MY CHILD RECEIVE?

Your child will receive a Lexile score based on their Scholastic Reading Inventory Reading Comprehension. SRI test results measure your child’s reading comprehension levels, enabling teachers to assess their reading ability, plan instructions accordingly and monitor reading progress.

### HOW WILL THESE SCORES BE USED?

SRI Lexile scores, determined by the SRI performance standard proficiency bands, are used to establish reading levels for whole class reading, group reading, independent reading and guided reading. SRI Lexile scores are used as part of a body of evidence to help determine if your child is reading at or below grade level.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We encourage you to be involved in your child’s education. Please don’t hesitate to reach out to your child’s teacher for ways you can help your child at home and availability of testing accommodations.

If you have questions or concerns about assessments, please contact your child’s school directly or call Family Constituency Services at (720) 423-3054.