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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am excited to share that our **South Broward Montessori Charter School** is implementing a **Progress Monitoring** program called *i-Ready*. Below, you will find information about the program and how we will be using it in the classroom.

### **What is *i-Ready*?**

*i-Ready* is an online program that will help us determine your child's strengths and areas for growth, personalize their learning, and monitor their progress throughout the school year. *i-Ready* allows us to meet your child where they are and provides us with data to inform instruction.

The ***i-Ready Diagnostic*** is an adaptive assessment that adjusts its questions to suit your child's needs. Each item a student receives is based on their answer to the previous question. For example, a series of correct answers will result in slightly harder questions, while a series of incorrect answers will yield slightly easier ones. The purpose of this is not to give your child a score or grade but to determine how to best support their learning.

***i-Ready Instruction*** provides students with lessons based on their individual strengths and areas for growth. These lessons are interactive and provide strategic supports to keep your child engaged as they learn.

*i-Ready Diagnostic & Instruction* assesses and teaches the following skill areas:

#### **Reading**

- Phonological Awareness
- Phonics
- High-Frequency Words
- Vocabulary
- Comprehension

#### **Mathematics**

- Number and Operations
- Algebra and Algebraic Thinking
- Measurement and Data
- Geometry

### **What can I do to help?**

To help prepare your child for the ***i-Ready Diagnostic***, encourage them to:

- Get a good night's sleep and eat a full breakfast the day of the assessment.
- Try their best on each question and try not to rush.

- Try not to worry about questions they do not know—remind them that it is expected they will only get about half of the questions correct.
- Be respectful of other students who take longer to finish.
- Use paper and pencil to show work for math questions.

To support your child's learning in **Online Instruction**, you can:

- Discuss your child's progress on their *i-Ready* lessons.
- Celebrate your child's learning and growth.
- Encourage them to use *i-Ready* at home.
  - They will need access to a computer or iPad, internet, and their login information. To check if your system meets *i-Ready* system requirements, please visit [i-Ready.com/Support](https://i-Ready.com/Support) to run a system check.

Thank you for your continued support and for being a partner in your child's learning! I look forward to sharing *i-Ready* information with you throughout the year. If you have any questions about *i-Ready*, please do not hesitate to contact me or the school. You can also learn more about *i-Ready* by visiting [i-ReadyCentral.com/FamilyCenter](https://i-ReadyCentral.com/FamilyCenter).

Sincerely,  
**Elizabeth Kpenkaan**  
**Principal**