

**It's the Start of the School Year:
WAS YOUR CHILD ON A READING IMPROVEMENT
PLAN AT THE END OF THIRD GRADE?**

No

Your child met the third-grade reading requirements to enter the fourth grade. Your child continues to receive fourth grade reading instruction.

Yes

Your child met the third-grade reading requirements to enter the fourth grade. But your child did not score "Proficient" or higher on Ohio's third grade reading achievement tests.

Ask your child's teacher:

- Are there ways to find out if my child is now reading on track for fourth grade?
- Are there more reading services available to make sure my child can read and understand fourth-grade subjects as the school year progresses?
- What can I do at home?

Yes

Your child was exempt from retention in third grade because he was previously retained in grades K-3 and received at least two years of reading intervention services. But he did not meet the promotion score required under the Third Grade Reading Guarantee. Your child will continue to receive intensive reading instruction in grade 4.

Sometimes a child may continue to have trouble reading even with Third Grade Reading Guarantee interventions. If this is true of your child, your school district can help you find out if he or she has a disability. Your child may qualify for special education. To read more, visit education.ohio.gov and type *Whose IDEA is This* in the search box, or ask your child's teacher for a copy of this publication.

Ask your child's teacher:

- What services will be provided in fourth grade to get my child reading on grade level? Will my child's instructional day look different from his peers? What strategies are being used to help my child? What can I do at home?"

NOTE: This roadmap is NOT for those students who have been retained and are seeking middle-of-the-year promotion. Please talk to your child's school administrator to learn about that process.