

First and Second Grade Reading Intervention

Fremont Public Schools

To the parents/guardians of _____

Fremont Public Schools provides additional reading instruction to first and second grade students reading below grade level during the school year. Based on reading assessments, your child qualifies for additional reading support at this time.

The reading specialist at your school will provide reading instruction in addition to daily instruction provided by your child's classroom teacher. During reading intervention lessons your child will work in a small group with other first or second grade students and the reading specialist. Lessons will focus on the following:

- Matching texts to children's reading ability
- Systematic instruction in phonemic awareness
- Systematic instruction in phonics
- Daily practice of oral reading to increase reading fluency
- Explicit instruction on comprehension
- Writing/responding to reading
- Learning a core of high frequency words
- Expanding vocabulary

Homework will be assigned to your child by the reading specialist. This homework will be in addition to homework assigned by the classroom teacher. Please make sure **your** child completes and returns homework.

The following at-home activities will help your child:

- Reading with them as often as possible for enjoyment and experience with books
- Listening to your child read books from school and home
- Providing positive comments when your child tries to figure out 'tricky' words on his/her own
- Making sure classroom homework assignments are completed and returned to school
- Providing a quiet, well lit place for reading and to complete homework
- Encouraging writing at home in various ways (writing letters, helping with the shopping list, writing stories, etc...)

Sincerely,

Classroom Teacher

Reading Specialist

Principal

Please return the second page of this letter to your child's classroom teacher