

Dear Pilot Elementary School Families:

In Guilford County Schools, we are committed to ensuring all students achieve educational excellence. In order to evaluate this, students take tests at the end of the school year. This letter provides important information about the **End-of-Grade tests and the Read to Achieve Legislation**.

End-of-Grade (EOG) Tests

Students in 3rd – 5th grades will take End-of-Grade (EOG) tests in reading and math. All 5th graders will also be administered the science EOG.

- Our EOGs will take place on May 29th (ELA) and May 30th (Math)
- Our 5th grade science EOGs will take place on June 3rd.
- The EOGs for 3rd – 5th ELA/Reading and 3rd grade math are administered in an online format.
- The EOGs for 4th-5th grade math and 5th grade science are administered in an online format.
- The reading, math and science EOGs are 120 minutes long and include multiple-choice, numeric entry (Grade 5 math) and technology-enhanced items (Grades 5 math and Grade 5 science).

The purpose of these standardized tests is to establish a measure of your child's reading, math, and/or science skills for the 2024 – 2025 school year. Per state regulation, there is no "opt-out" provision and these tests must be taken in-person. North Carolina does not offer a remote option for any state accountability assessment.

Read to Achieve (RtA)

Read to Achieve is a part of the Excellent Public Schools Act which became law in July of 2012. The goal of the State legislation is to ensure that every student read at or above grade level by the end of third grade. The *Read to Achieve* legislation states that third grade students shall demonstrate grade level proficiency, by scoring Level 3 or above on their EOG Reading assessment. If your child does not pass the Reading EOG, you will be notified in writing about other opportunities for your child to show the required grade level proficiency.

The 2025 EOG and RtA tests will not count toward a student's final grade. However, students will be scored on the achievement levels adopted by the State School Board. Students who reach achievement levels 3, 4 or 5 are considered on or above grade level. Students who reach levels 4 or 5 are also considered on-track for the state's standards of college- and career-readiness.

Following the EOG and RtA Test administrations, families will receive an Individual Student Report (ISR) with the child's score. This report will display your child's reading, math, and/or science scores compared to other students in Guilford County and North Carolina.

Please call us at 336-316-5820 if you have any questions and/or concerns.

Sincerely,



Kimberly Fleming
Principal, Pilot Elementary