

CRMS i-Ready Diagnostic Assessment – ALL STUDENTS MUST TAKE!

Reading and Math – Complete Both by Wednesday, September 2nd

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We'll be using a new program for reading and math called i-Ready. Students will take diagnostic tests in both subjects next week whether they are at home or at school.

What is i-Ready?

i-Ready is an online program that will help us determine your child's strengths and areas for growth, and monitor their progress throughout the school year. Through diagnostic testing, *i-Ready* 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.**

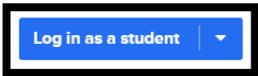
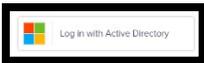
What can I do to help?

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 that they will only get about half of the questions correct.
- Use paper and pencil to show work for math questions.
- Do NOT help your student answer questions. We need to know what they know so we can plan to help them grow from where they are now.

How do I log-in?

On an iPad®:

- Click on the Clever app. 
- Choose *Login as a student* from the top, right dropdown. 
- If it opens in camera mode, click Login with Username/Password at bottom.
- You may be prompted to enter your school name. If so, please enter *Collins Riverside Middle School* and select the correct school from the list.
- Click *Log in with Active Directory*. 
- Next, your student should login using their Office 365 username and password.
- Now click the *i-Ready* icon to enter the assessment. 

From a computer:

- Open the Chrome browser. 
- Login using the Clever Portal. Go to <https://clever.com/>
- Choose *Login as a student* from the top, right dropdown. 
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***At school, we will be administering Diagnostic assessments in math and reading on Monday and Tuesday (August 31-September 1) with makeups on Wednesday and Thursday (September 2- 3). Each day, the students are given 45 minutes to complete the assessment in their English and math classes.**

If your student does not need both 45-minute sessions to complete each assessment, that is perfectly fine. PLEASE HAVE YOUR STUDENT COMPLETE BOTH READING AND MATH BY WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 2nd.

Below is the schedule we will follow at school.

Monday, August 31	Tuesday, September 1	Wednesday, September 2	Thursday, September 3
Math & Reading Diagnostic Assessment Grades 6-8	Math & Reading Diagnostic Assessment Grades 6-8	Makeups, as needed	Makeups, as needed

What happens next?

The *i-Ready Diagnostic* will provide results that help your child’s teachers identify his or her strengths and determine next steps for instruction. We look forward to providing a learning experience that will engage your child while teaching important skills and concepts.

If you have any questions about *i-Ready*, please do not hesitate to contact your child’s English or math teacher. You can also learn more about *i-Ready* by visiting i-ReadyCentral.com/FamilyCenter.

As always, thank you for your continued support and for being a partner in your child’s learning! It is much appreciated.

Parent/Guardian Expectations from i-Ready Central:

We thank you in advance for helping us get the information about your student that will help us plan and provide instruction that will meet their needs.

- Please supervise your child’s Diagnostic Assessment the same way a teacher would.
- Please understand i-Ready Diagnostic is a different type of test. Students will receive questions they will struggle with and are not expected to answer correctly.
- **Please DO NOT HELP your child answer questions, even if they struggle.**
- Please have your child complete the Diagnostic Assessment in Reading and Math by no later than Wednesday, September 2nd.

We need to know *what your child knows* – this is the reason for asking that you not help them. Accurate results on this assessment will lead to better ways we can help them grow from where they are right now. Thank you in advance for helping your student correctly take the i-Ready Diagnostic!