

To the Parents/Guardians of _____,

One of the primary goals of the Lower Merion School District is to ensure that all students become proficient readers. We recognize that students learn at different rates and that some children need additional support in the learning process.

As your child's teacher has already told you, we believe that your child would benefit from additional support in reading this year. This decision was based upon your child's classroom reading performance, the results of district and standardized assessments, and teacher recommendation. Instruction with the reading specialist will be provided in small groups either in the classroom or a setting designed for small group work. The instruction will focus on your child's needs and may include phonological awareness, word study (phonics and decoding), vocabulary development, fluency and comprehension.

It was determined that your child would benefit from additional instruction in the following areas:

____ Phonological awareness

____ Comprehension strategies

____ Oral Reading Strategies

____ Vocabulary Development

____ Word study

____ Decoding strategies

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. You will receive reports on your child's progress and have opportunities to meet with me and attend workshops during this school year. Please sign this letter and return it with your child tomorrow. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Name of child _____

____ **I understand that my child will be receiving additional reading support this year.**

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____