

THIRD GRADE RETENTION GUIDELINES / PROCEDURES

1. Parents and students will be made aware of the third grade retention policy at the beginning of the school year.
2. The Greene County School System will provide a universal diagnostic reading assessment to screen all third grade students. All schools will identify third grade students performing at the Below Basic category using STAR Reading.
3. The Schools shall notify parents their child has been identified as performing at the Below Basic category in reading and make available information regarding intervention programs for their child.
4. Identified third grade students must participate in an intervention program during the school year or prior to the beginning of the next school year. Failure to participate in an intervention program will result in retention in third grade if student still tests Below Basic on TCAP Reading/Language Arts.
5. Close contact should be maintained between the school and parents throughout the school year. Personal contacts and requests for conferences should be scheduled and documented when warranted.
6. The third grade retention law shall not apply to students who have an IEP pursuant to 20 U.S.C.&1400 et.seq.