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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Your child will be screened during the first 30 days of school using the Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener-Work Sampling System (FLKRS-WSS). The results of this screening provide valuable information about a child's readiness for school, help teachers develop lesson plans to meet each child's individual needs and offer useful information to parents.

The FLKRS-WSS is an observational tool that is completed by your child's teacher. The teacher observes your child during daily classroom activities, which include whole group, small group and individual activities. Your child's ability to listen to stories, follow classroom rules, interact with others and put away materials in the appropriate place are some examples of the skills which will be observed.

The FLKRS-WSS used in the screening is based upon the performance standards approved for use in the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program (VPK). If you have any questions about the screening process, please contact your child's teacher. We are all working together to make sure that your child's kindergarten experience is successful.

Sincerely,

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