# Family Checklist:

# Administering the *i-Ready Diagnostic* at Home During a School Closure

### **Recommended Actions:**

#### 1. Overview

The purpose of the diagnostic is not to give students a score or grade, but to determine student placement to select the most appropriate i-Ready lessons and drive teacher-led instruction.

The Diagnostic will:

- □ start at the level where the student placed on their most recent diagnostic.
- $\ \square$  adapt based on student responses, and students are expected to get about 50% of the questions correct.
- □ be available from **8 am−8 pm, Monday through Friday**, during the assigned assessment window.



#### 2. Get Started

- ☐ **Click** <u>here</u> **and watch the family video** to learn more about the i-Ready Diagnostic.
- ☐ Find a quiet space for students to take the Diagnostic.
- □ **Determine a time for students to take the Diagnostic.** The Diagnostic is untimed. We suggest splitting the assessment into several short sessions: ~15 to 20 minutes for younger students (K-1) and ~30 minutes for older students. We recommend working early in the day when possible.
- ☐ Gather paper and pencil for problem solving.



#### 3. Actively Monitor

- ☐ **Encourage students** as they are completing the assessment. If you notice them getting tired or speeding through the questions, offer encouragement and suggest they take a short break.
- □ **Do not assist students with answering assessment questions,** as this will lead to inaccurate placement within the online lessons.



#### **Logging In**

- □ Log into the M-DCPS portal.
- □ Students will use their district username and password.



#### **Starting the Diagnostic**

- ☐ Select the icon for the Reading or Math diagnostic.
- ☐ Watch the introductory video that will explain the format of the test and provide best practices.
- ☐ Click on each of the interactive tools and practice using them.



## **During the Diagnostic**

- □ Students should answer questions independently.
- ☐ Work out math problems on paper.
- ☐ Hover over speaker icons when available.
- $\square$  Use the progress bar to track the percent complete.



# **After the Diagnostic**

- ☐ Ensure students have fully completed the assessment.
- ☐ Students will receive a congratulatory message and see lessons appear on their screen.
- ☐ If there is any question as to whether the student has fully completed the assessment, confirm with the student's teacher.

