



Dear Families,

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Your third grade student will take the *Cognitive Abilities Test*[™] (*CogAT*®) *Screenener* at school on February 15 or 16. The purpose of this letter is to inform you about the test so that—with your support and encouragement—your student will do his or her best.

About the *CogAT* Screening Form

The *CogAT* Screening Form consists of three of the nine subtests from the complete *CogAT* test, including **Verbal/Picture Analogies**, **Number Analogies**, and **Figure Matrices**.

Each subtest includes practice questions to help students become familiar with the content and format of the subtests. These practice questions help students gain familiarity with the item formats and how to complete the different reasoning tasks.

Students read each question and the answer choices and then mark their answers by clicking the corresponding circle on the screen or filling in the circle on the answer sheet. Each subtest takes 10 minutes.

How your student can prepare for test taking—and what you can do to help

You can help your student do his or her best by considering these tips:

- Make sure that your student is in school and on time on test days. Reschedule appointments and other out-of-school time on non testing days.
- Make sure your student gets a good night's sleep and eats a healthy breakfast before each day of testing.

Score reporting and how we use test results

The school will receive test scores in about 3 weeks. These scores will indicate how your student performed on the test compared with students across the nation who are either the same age or in the same grade. The scores will be used as an indicator of who needs additional testing AIG (Academically Intellectually Gifted) services.

Thank you for encouraging and supporting your student during testing. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Monica Griffin at mgriffin@lexcs.org or Adrienne Staten at astaten@lexcs.org.

Sincerely,
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