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Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Reading Scholarship, administered by Step Up For Students, was created to help students in third through fifth grade who struggle with reading. Students will be eligible for a \$500 stipend, made available on a first come, first serve basis, to cover an array of reading remediation supports if they fall into one or all of the following priority-ordered categories.

1. Students in grades 3 through 5 who are enrolled in a Florida public school and scored a Level 1 or 2 on their most recent Florida Standards Assessment (FSA)-ELA, or in 2019-20 were identified with a substantial deficiency in reading based on their most recent available screening and progress monitoring assessment, and are classified as an English Language Learner (ELL) enrolled in a program or receiving services that are specifically designed to meet the instructional needs of ELL students;
2. Students in grades 3 through 5 who are enrolled in a Florida public school and scored a Level 1 or 2 on their most recent FSA-ELA or in 2019-20 were identified with a substantial deficiency in reading based on their most recent available screening and progress monitoring assessment;
3. Students in grades 3-5 who are enrolled in one of Florida's 300 Lowest-Performing Elementary Schools in 2018-19; or
4. Students in grades 3-5 who are enrolled in one of Florida's elementary schools that earned a D or F school grade in 2018-19.

Parents of students who meet any of the below requirements may apply using the form by going to the [Step Up For Students](http://StepUpForStudents.org) website. Parents who have additional questions may email [reading@sufs.org](mailto:reading@sufs.org) or call 877-735-7837.

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) is committed to working with you at every grade level, and throughout the year, to improve your child's reading and literacy level. Information on the BCPS approach to literacy and strategies to support reading at home can be found at the links below:

- BCPS Read-At-Home Plan: <http://bit.ly/2Rb2MEZ>
- Supporting Young Learners:

We look forward to another successful school year!

Sincerely,

Daniel Gohl  
Chief Academic Officer