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# VIKING FURY

VIRTUAL PREP ACADEMY OF WA PARENTS' NEWSLETTER



## HEAD OF SCHOOL MESSAGE

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We are excited to have students back and watching learning and growth happening. Each month, we will be sending out the Viking Fury via Canvas and our website. You'll find important information, links, and student work samples.

Thank you for being a part of the Viking Family, and we look forward to students making connections, becoming lifelong learners, achieving, and transforming this year at VPAWA!

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# IREADY DIAGNOSTIC #1

Students need to complete the iReady Math and iReady Reading Diagnostic #1 before September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The Diagnostic is an adaptive assessment that identifies students' strengths and opportunities for growth. That information helps determine how to support their learning best. Watch this [video](#) to learn more.

How can I access my student's results?

1. From one of your student's Canvas courses, click the i-Ready link to log into your student's i-Ready Dashboard.
2. Click on the For Families dropdown and select the For Families report.
3. Enter your School's Report Code [V655VH](#)

[For more information and support, visit the i-Ready Family Center: Understanding Diagnostic Results.](#)

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with schoolwork, or experiencing other potentially serious difficulties.

Starting in kindergarten, excessive absences (both excused and unexcused) can cause children to fall behind in school.

Missing 10 percent (just two days a month or about 18 days in a year) increases the chance that your student will not read or master math at the same level as their peers.

Students can still fall behind if they miss just a day or two every few weeks.

### **WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU**

We would like you to help ensure that your student attends regularly and is successful in school. If your student is going to be absent, please contact the attendance office at [attendance@vprepwa.org](mailto:attendance@vprepwa.org) within 5 days of the absence.

**Please complete the Attendance form in your Parent PowerSchool Portal to acknowledge that you have received this information and understand VPAWA's attendance policies. Reference slides 15-18 on how to access your PowerSchool Portal. [Click here for slides](#)**

# PARENT RESOURCES

Parent/Student Handbook

25-26 School Calendar

How to use Canvas and PowerSchool Parent Portal

Understanding Your Student's Schedule





Technology Support and Help

iReady Parent Letter

School Contact Information

## TIPS FOR LEARNING AT HOME

*Tips for*  
**AT-HOME LEARNING**

- **1 Make a space for school work.**  
Limit distractions and have school supplies ready.
- **2 Schedule "brain breaks."**  
Try stretching, a quick walk, a short game or even a dance break!
- **3 Offer a reward.** Set a goal and reward them when they reach it.
- **4 Keep a positive attitude.**  
Give them praise for their hard work!