

First Grade DIBELS Assessment

Each student is administered the DIBELS assessment at the beginning, middle, and end of the year. The tests are administered by the school's testing team, not the classroom teacher. Parents will receive their child's score once all students school-wide have been tested.

First Graders will be assessed on the following 3 components:

- (PSF) Phoneme Segmentation Fluency
- (NWF) Nonsense Word Fluency
- (ORF) Oral Reading Fluency

PSF – Examiner reads aloud a word and the student says all the sounds in that word.

Examples – (that) th-a-t (slip) s-l-i-p (park) p-ar-k

NWF – Students read a list of nonsense words saying the sounds as a whole word.

Examples – zum, bif, ut, kat...

ORF – Students read text easily, smoothly, and with expression. Then they are asked to retell what they read.

DIBELS Benchmark Goals

Test	Beginning of Year	Middle of Year	End of Year
PSF	35 sounds per minute	35 sounds per minute	35 sounds per minute
NWF	24 sounds per minute	50 sounds per minute	50 sounds per minute
ORF	Not Tested	20 words per minute	40 words per minute

- Students who do not meet Benchmark Goals are considered "AT RISK" and will need substantial intervention.