

# Welcome to a New School Year!

## Dear Parents and Families,

How do you prepare young children for college and careers? You invite them to read, to write, and to explore content. You engage them intellectually and emotionally in authentic texts and compelling ideas. *ReadyGEN*©2016 is a K-6 integrated literacy curriculum that equips all students and teachers with the tools necessary to meet heightened literacy expectations.

*ReadyGEN* will actively engage your child in literacy experiences, with authentic, rigorous texts serving as the core of all instruction. Developed to enable students to meet heightened expectations in literacy and prepare for college and careers, *ReadyGEN* provides the tools teachers need to guide students through an instructional approach that fosters the reciprocity of reading and writing. This critical approach will help your child understand the inter-dependency between reading and writing and use it to become a lifelong learner and communicator.

To anchor this approach, *ReadyGEN* has at the heart of its instructional design a link between close reading and the production of writing. The program will encourage your child to dig deep, think hard, and always cite evidence from the text they are reading as proof of their ideas. *ReadyGEN* is designed with rigor and responsiveness to guide all students toward success. Each lesson incorporates a variety of literacies to engage your child in unit topics, genres, and the types of writing prescribed by the Common Core Standards. Using *ReadyGEN's* integrated pedagogy, conceptually connected unit themes, and authentic practice, your child's teacher will model how to participate in critical reading, thinking, speaking, and writing.

On behalf of the Savvas family, we welcome you and your child to the exhilarating era of college and career readiness!



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