

## **CORNER**

For a winning team, we must have an awesome plan! Cleburne County Schools are working hard to continue in the tradition of success we are accustomed to! In this newsletter, you'll find a few current highlights to help us ensure the success of your child in elementary school.

In 2019, the Alabama legislature passed the Alabama Literacy Act; it became effective September 1, 2019. The first group of students that fell under this act were 1st graders during the 2019-2020 school year. These students are now second graders. **This act ensures the partnership between schools and families for the reading success of all students.** The Alabama Literacy Act was established to implement steps to improve the reading proficiency of public school kindergarten to 3rd-grade students and ensure that those students are able to read at or above grade level by the end of 3rd grade.

\*The law states that all 3rd-grade students (with a few "good cause" exemptions) shall demonstrate sufficient reading skills for promotion to 4th grade, beginning with the 2021-2022 School Year.

\*This isn't determined by your child's grades. It is determined by the state assessment.

## How Can You Help?

- Parents will be notified if their child has a reading deficiency and a plan will be put into place.
- Reading to your child, with them, or letting them read to you will improve the reading success of your child.
- Discuss, ask questions, and write about what you are reading.
- Virtual students do their own work and turn it in on time for a grade.
- HELP YOUR CHILD AT HOME! Remember...it takes a village!
- Contact us if you need support with online resources. You can contact your child's school and ask for the Reading Coach.