TO: Parents of Second Grade Students in Bamberg School District One

FROM: Phyllis K. Schwarting, Superintendent

RE: 2nd Grade Census Testing

DATE: September 23, 2019

As required by the State Board of Education, South Carolina School Districts are required each year to census test all students in grade two with a nationally normed aptitude and achievement measure. These assessments, along with the scoring and reporting, are provided by the State Department of Education. Taken statewide are The Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT- aptitude) and the Iowa (achievement). The state testing window begins the third week of October and continues through the first week of November 2019. Bamberg One will conduct the CogAT test on October 16th-18th, and the Iowa test on October 21st-23rd, with the remaining testing window reserved for makeup testing. Each daily test session will last approximately one hour.

Your child’s profile narrative, which includes the test results for both the Iowa and the CogAT will be sent home to you when we receive them in January, 2020. This profile also includes a detailed explanation of your child’s performance and suggests areas of strengths and weaknesses.

If you have additional questions about this testing, please feel free to contact Mrs. Angela Williams, Gifted and Talented Coordinator, 245-3043, ext. 1461 or Mrs. Ann Boykin, RCES Guidance Counselor, at 245-3043, ext. 1411.

If you require special accommodations or need assistance with this document, please notify the school at 803-245-3043.