Grade 3 – Understanding Your Child's Performance: Below is a summary of skills and knowledge students must demonstrate to achieve each performance level. A student should demonstrate mastery of knowledge and skills within his/her achievement level *as well as* all content and skills that precede it. For example, a Proficient Learner should also possess the knowledge and skills of a Developing Learner *and* a Beginning Learner.

	Beginning Learner	Developing Learner	Proficient Learner	Distinguished Learner
English Language Arts	In general, your child can: read texts below grade level write simple narrative, opinion, or informative/explanatory pieces conduct simple, short research projects	In general, your child can: read and explain texts near grade level write loosely organized narrative, opinion, or informative/explanatory pieces with limited details or reasons conduct simple, short research projects, building limited knowledge about topics	In general, your child can: read and explain complex texts at grade level write narrative, opinion, or informative/explanatory pieces with supporting details or reasons and clear organization that links information together conduct short research projects, building knowledge about topics	In general, your child can: read and analyze complex texts at grade level or above write multi-paragraph narrative, opinion, or informative/explanatory pieces using effective details or reasons conduct complex research projects, building extensive knowledge about topics
Mathematics	In general, your child can: add and subtract whole numbers solve one-step word problems using addition and subtraction find the next number in a pattern understand place value tell and write time to the nearest 5 minutes recognize quadrilaterals and partition shapes into halves recognize standard units of measure recognize fractions as part of a whole	In general, your child can: add and subtract numbers to 1,000 solve one-step problems using addition, subtraction, and multiplication extend number patterns tell and write time to the minute measure length to the whole unit identify features of two-dimensional objects represent unit fractions as equal parts of a whole interpret data in picture and bar graphs to solve problems find the area and perimeter of rectangles with given side lengths recognize that shapes fit into different categories partition shapes into equal parts	 and division equations use place value relationships to round numbers compare fractions with the same numerator or denominator 	In general, your child can: identify arithmetic patterns with multiple rules recognize that each place value, left to right, is ten times the one before it multiply multiples of ten by each other understand fractions that are equal, compare fractions, and add and subtract fractions measure elapsed time measure and estimate length, volume, and mass interpret line plots recognize patterns between area and perimeter recognize characteristics of two-dimensional objects