



ST. PETER LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Guidelines for Accelerated Reader

1. Accelerated Reader is a tool to encourage children to read.
2. In order to track the number of books that children read, they will take tests on each book that they read which will allow them to accumulate points.
3. Students may take tests only on books that have been read during the present school year or the summer prior to that year.
4. Students are encouraged to read books at their reading levels and abilities. Please note the following for these grade levels:
 - a. Students in 2nd-4th grade may take tests on books their teacher has read to them in class.
 - b. Students in 5th-8th grade take tests on books they have read independently, outside of class as well as some book group novels as designated by the teacher.
5. As an extrinsic motivator, there are goals for each class, prizes and privileges for accumulating points, and a school-wide grand prize at the year's end.
6. Students may redeem their points during the year for prizes or privileges. These rewards are determined by the teachers. Each grade may have different prizes or privileges at different times throughout the year.
7. Each student is strongly encouraged to meet the minimum class goal and to strive for the grand prize goal. Individual point goals for each class are as follows:
 - a. 2nd Grade: 10 points
 - b. 3rd Grade: 15 points
 - c. 4th Grade: 20 points
 - d. 5th Grade: 25 points
 - e. 6th Grade: 30 points
 - f. 7th Grade: 35 points
 - g. 8th Grade: 40 points
8. To qualify for the school-wide grand prize, students must earn a designated number of points per quarter and for the entire year according to their grade level, as follows:
 - a. 2nd Grade: at least 30 points for the year and a minimum of 7 points/quarter
 - b. 3rd Grade: at least 50 points for the year and a minimum of 10 points/quarter
 - c. 4th Grade: at least 70 points for the year and a minimum of 15 points/quarter
 - d. 5th Grade: at least 90 points for the year and a minimum of 15 points/quarter
 - e. 6th Grade: at least 110 points for the year and a minimum of 15 pts/quarter
 - f. 7th Grade: at least 130 points for the year and a minimum of 20 pts/quarter
 - g. 8th Grade: at least 150 points for the year and a minimum of 20 pts/quarter
9. Student progress may be posted on charts or with the point printout from Accelerated Reader.
10. Accelerated Reader may be used by some teachers within the curriculum and students may be graded on their quiz performance.
11. Students may take tests at home with the understanding that they will be taking the test without any assistance.

