

ACCELERATED READER

JACKSON ACADEMY

Grades 2-4

2024-2025

Goals of the Accelerated Reader Program at Jackson Academy

- To encourage a love of reading in students in order to help them become life-long readers
- To increase reading comprehension and vocabulary

Components of the Accelerated Reader Program

I. The STAR Reading Test

- The test is administered to individual students at the beginning of each semester in order to establish students' reading level range. The results are shared with the students.
- Students may not read outside their ZPD range unless permission is given from their teacher. During the first few weeks of the first term, second grade students may not read above 3.0 regardless of their ZPD range. If a student takes a test on a book that is not in their reading range or that is on the "blocked" list, the test will be removed from their reading record.

II. Individual Student Goals

- Individual student goals are set at the beginning of each grading term. **Two goals are set:**
 - 1) percent correct, which is always set at 85%**
 - 2) number of points**
- The teacher helps each individual student set a point goal that will be attainable yet ambitious enough to encourage reading growth. The following is a guide for each grade for the minimum goal that must be set each term:
 - 2nd grade – 8 points
 - 3rd grade – 9 points
 - 4th grade – 10 points
- In grades 2-4, no AR tests may be taken on books that are rated UG (upper grade) because the content of those books are designed for high school students..
- In third and fourth grade, students who meet the individual goals that they have set for themselves receive one bonus 100 averaged into the reading grade for the nine week term.

III. Times for Taking AR Tests

- Students will be given the opportunity to take tests in the classroom at various times throughout the school day as well as during their regular library class each week. NO tests may be taken without teacher supervision.
- NO tests may be taken after 3:00 p.m., including during any tutoring sessions.

**Student Reading Plan
2024-2025**

Student _____

1st Semester ZPD Range _____

2nd Semester ZPD Range _____

First Term

Goal Actual

% Correct 85% _____

Points _____ _____

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Second Term

Goal Actual

% Correct 85% _____

Points _____ _____

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Third Term

Goal Actual

% Correct 85% _____

Points _____ _____

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Fourth Term

Goal Actual

% Correct 85% _____

Points _____ _____

Student Signature Teacher Signature Parent Signature
