Accelerated

Reader

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Dear Parents,

Reading is one of the great joys of life, and crucial to everything we do as active members of society. Whether or not a student can read, and read well, affects his or her future profoundly. At Corley Elementary we accept the challenge to ensure that all students achieve maximum reading growth. One program we use to help students achieve maximum growth is the Accelerated Reader (AR) program. Accelerated Reader is based on the fundamental principle that practice improves reading. Accelerated Reader involves three simple steps:

* Your child selects and reads a book from our list of AR titles. Students choose books that are written at a level appropriate for them from our school media center, their classroom libraries, the public library and/or books at home.
* Your child takes a Reading Practice Quiz.
* The computer grades the test and awards points based on correct responses to test questions.

At Corley Elementary each child has a point goal based on their individual reading level. As an added incentive to read many books, pass lots of tests and accumulate points, students earn a hat that can be worn every Friday when they reach 10% of this annual goal. As students earn more points they earn buttons to pin to their hats. It is exciting to see children fired up about reading. They work hard to earn their hat and buttons and by reading so many books, their reading improves. Practice makes perfect!!

We encourage you to take time each day to read with your child. Taking just a few minutes a day to read together will have a huge impact on your child’s success in reading.

Sincerely,