

## Accelerated Reader Program

The Accelerated Reader (AR) Program is a supplemental reading program at BES for grades K-5. Research has shown that when schools implement AR correctly, discipline, attendance, reading, math, writing, science and social studies improve.

### AR is built on four major principles:

- Increased reading practice time. Grades 1-5 have independent reading time allotted each day.
- Students practice reading at levels appropriate to their skills.
- AR provides teachers and students with quick, constructive, specific feedback. Students take ownership of their learning.
- AR allows teachers to personalize education with instruction, practice and goals that suit student abilities.



### Accelerated Reader Steps

- To find book level range of a student, he/she takes the **STAR test** during the first 10 days of school.
- Book level range, allotted reading time in class and recommended goals set by AR determine the number of goal

points each student should have at the end of the nine weeks.

- With teacher permission students visit the school library which is open daily. Students may check out 2 books at the time. A book from anywhere may be used if the test is available at BES.



- In 2-5 grade classrooms students read daily for 30 minutes. If students use reading time wisely, they can easily reach their expected AR goals each nine weeks.
- Teachers closely monitor and conference with students about their progress during class reading time.
- With teacher permission, a student may take the test when a book is finished. The program asked if the book was read to, read with, or read independently by the student. Sixty is considered passing for an AR test. However, AR and BES expect students K-2 to average 80 or above and 3-5 to average 85 or above.

**Note:** If the classroom computer is not working, students may take test in the library with permission of the classroom teacher and librarian. Parents are asked not to be present when a test is being taken.

## Accelerated Reader Certificates

### K - 2

- **Ready Reader:** Accumulate 5 pts. Through any combination of Read To and Read With.
- **Independent Reader:** Read independently. Accumulate 10 pts. on at least 3 books, 1.2 book level or higher.

### 3 - 5

- **Independent Reader:** Read independently. Accumulate 10 pts. on at least 3 books at 1.2 book level or higher.
- **Rising Reader:** Read independently. Accumulate 10 pts. on at least 3 books at 1.6 book level or higher.
- **Super Reader:** Read independently at least 3 books at 2.0 book level or higher worth 1 pt or more each.
- **Advanced Reader:** Read independently at least 3 books at 3.0 book level or higher worth 2 pts. or more each.
- **Star Reader:** Read independently at least 3 books at 4.0 book level or higher worth 4 pts or more each.
- **Classic Reader:** Read independently at least 3 books at 6.0 book level or higher worth any points.
- **Honors Reader:** After Advanced Reader certificate: Read independently in your reading level and earn 100 points.

## Yearly Incentives

1<sup>st</sup> Grade: (begin earning points 2<sup>nd</sup> 9 wks)

4 pts = movie and popcorn  
11 pts = sundae party  
19 pts = Storyteller  
45 = recess with prize  
56 = CiCi's Pizza

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:

10 pts = movie and popcorn  
25 pts = sundae party  
50 pts = Storyteller  
75 pts = recess with prize  
95 pts = CiCi's Pizza

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:

15 pts = movie and popcorn  
30 pts = sundae party  
70 pts = Storyteller  
100 pts = recess with prize  
115 pts = CiCi's Pizza

4<sup>th</sup> Grade:

20 pts = movie and popcorn  
35 pts = sundae party  
85 pts = Storyteller  
115 pts = recess with prize  
135 pts = CiCi's Pizza

5<sup>th</sup> Grade:

25 pts = movie and popcorn  
50 pts = sundae party  
100 pts = Storyteller  
150 pts = recess with prize  
170 pts = CiCi's Pizza

## Certificate Incentive



Students receive reader certificates. They also receive congratulations and praise from their teachers, principal, assistant principal, and librarian as they meet their AR requirements. Certificates will be handed out this year at an assembly at the end of each nine weeks by the principal, Mrs. Eason. Along with the certificate the students will receive a chain with a dog tag attached. With each additional certificate earned students will be awarded a new item to place on their chain.

## Questions:

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