

ACCELERATED READER NEWS

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Dear Students and Parents,

We are happy to announce that USD 341 has recently purchased an extensive upgrade to our Accelerated Reader program. The new program will provide access to approximately 100,000 quizzes in addition to vocabulary and literature quizzes. Many of the books that you find in book orders or at the Public Library will now have quizzes available.

We are preparing to make the transition from our current system to the new version. It will undoubtedly be an awkward transition, however, we have done everything we can to make it as painless as possible. During the transition, no testing will be available. We anticipate this to affect us for 24-48 hours. The process will begin at approximately 11:30 AM on Monday, December 15, 2008. Please make plans to take any last minute test before the process begins.

When we have made the jump to the new system students will use a new User Name and Password combination to access the testing screen. Teachers and students have already begun getting used to the new information. The new system will be accessed via an internet browser. While testing is not available outside of the building, a new component will be introduced that will allow monitoring from home. Home Connect will allow students and parents the opportunity to see what progress is being made towards student goals.

Please be patient with us as we make the exciting step towards a stronger Accelerated Reader program. Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions.

Thank you.

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