

2025-2026

ACCELERATED READER

Student Expectations & Library Incentives

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

- Each quarter, students in grades 2-8 are given individualized AR point goals based upon the ZPD ranges generated from the STAR tests taken at the beginning, middle and end of the school year.
- To help students meet these expectations and improve their reading and comprehension skills, they may select and read a variety of AR books of interest **within their ZPD ranges** (outside of range allowed with teacher's permission) and test on them at school.
 - Classroom required novels with AR tests are blocked from student access and can not be used for points toward individualized quarter goals. AR is an independent reading practice program and the required classroom novels are read, studied, and taught in depth alongside the classroom teacher thus making it a non-independent practice. On the other hand, required summer reading novels are read independently allowing for student access to the AR test. A list of Classroom Required Novels can be found [here](#).
 - Only 4th-8th grade students are given permission to take up to 2 article quizzes per quarter until their goal is met.
 - Students are required to have the actual book with them to take the test at school.
- At the end of each quarter, an AR grade is calculated reflecting the students progress towards reaching the classroom expectations. The AR grade policy per grade level can be found on the following page.

AR TESTS & ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Students of Our Lady of Fatima School are expected to maintain the highest form of character and not participate in any activities involving direct or indirect academic cheating of any kind, including cheating on AR tests. Violations include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Giving or receiving questions or answers for an AR test.
- Writing any answers or information of assistance for an AR test on your personal body or in your possession when taking an AR test.
- Utilizing social media apps, Google searches, etc. to find the answers to AR test questions.
- Watching a movie in place of reading the book before taking an AR test.
- Knowingly taking an AR test under another student's name for that student or something of a similar situation to get beneficial credit towards their AR goal/grades.

Consequences for the above academic integrity violations will result in disciplinary actions as identified in the Our Lady of Fatima Academic Integrity Policy with the following specifications regarding AR Test cheating. Disciplinary actions are not limited to the below list and are subject to change by administration.

- 1st, 2nd, and 3rd offenses
 - A zero will be given as the AR test grade resulting in 0 points earned and affecting their average % correct grade at the end of the quarter.
 - The test will remain on the student's account and the student will not be allowed to retake the quiz while enrolled at OLF.
- All other consequences will be upheld for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd offenses as in the OLF Academic Integrity Policy.
 - Phone call to parents
 - Character signs
 - Suspensions

AR GRADE POLICY

<u>Jr High</u>	<u>4th & 5th Grades</u>
An overall <u>40 point</u> AR "reflective" grade will be issued based upon: • 20 points for Percent of Goal Met • 20 points for Average % Comprehension on Quizzes Taken ▪ EX - 83.7% of goal met - Grade 16.74/20 ▪ EX - 84 Avg % Correct - Grade 16.8/20	An overall <u>20 point</u> AR "reflective" grade will be issued based upon: • 10 points for Percent of Goal Met • 10 points for Average % Comprehension on Quizzes Taken ▪ EX - 83.7% of goal met - Grade 8.37/10 ▪ EX - 84 Avg % Correct - Grade 8.4/10
<u>3rd Grade</u>	<u>2nd Grade</u>
An AR "<u>incentive</u>" <u>grade</u> can be earned in the <u>1st & 2nd quarters</u>... • if the student meets their AR Goal and ends the quarter with an 85% or better comprehension average. The student must meet both goals to earn this grade. ◦ 10/10 • If both goals are not met, the student is not penalized for this. An overall <u>20 point</u> AR "reflective" grade will be issued in the <u>3rd & 4th quarters</u>. • see 4th & 5th grade	An AR "<u>incentive</u>" <u>grade</u> can be earned if: • the student meets their AR Goal at the end each quarter. ◦ 10/10 • If the point goal is not met, no AR "incentive" grade is issued. The student is not penalized for this.
Double Dipper Bonus (3rd-8th Grades)	
Students that <u>double</u> their AR point goal (reach 200% or more of their goal) and maintain 85% or better comprehension average at quarter's end will receive <u>5 bonus points</u> added to the % of goal met grade. • 3rd grade - (3rd & 4th quarters ONLY)	

LIBRARY INCENTIVES

The OLF Library AR Incentive Program is designed with OPTIONAL challenges for students to go above and beyond what is already expected of them in the classroom and be recognized and rewarded by the library.

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**Goal
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**Point
Clubs**

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**Million-
AiRes**

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**Over-
Achievers**

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**Top
Readers**



Goal Getters

Students that reach their goal by mid-quarter (AR Goal Getter Deadline set on school calendar) with an 85% or better comprehension average will earn an invitation to the AR quarterly treat pickup on a designated school day.



Point Clubs / Incentive Days

Students that strive to enter point clubs throughout the year will be treated to incentives each quarter. Each grade level is given a starting point in the Point Club Challenge.

2nd/3rd grade - 15 Point Club * 4th/5th grade - 25 Point Club * Jr High - 50 Point Club

Point clubs continue beyond 50 points and students can move through one or more clubs per quarter. Each point club entry awards students with an incentive that can be used on designated AR Point Club Incentive days held around mid and end quarters that are posted on the school calendar and on student point club incentive cards.



MillionAiRes

Students who read one million words or more & maintain 85% or better comprehension average will join the MillionAiRe Club.

These students will be awarded a swag bag of goodies and a MillionAiRe yard sign for bragging rights. In addition, for each one million words read, their name will go into the MillionAiRe Raffle to win a prize at the end of the school year.



Overachievers

MillionAiRes and students that enter point clubs beyond the highest point club for their grade level will be invited to an end of the year AR Overachievers celebration event held off campus before the school year ends. Overachievers must maintain 85% or better comprehension average.

To become an Overachiever, students must enter the following point club(s) for their grade level.

2nd/3rd grade - 150+ Point Clubs * 4th/5th grade - 200+ Point Clubs * Jr High - 300+ Point Clubs



Top Readers

The top 5 students who have earned the most AR points in their grade level while maintaining an 85% or better comprehension average will receive the AR Top 5 Award.