# SAINTS' ENGO

### **ACCELERATED READER PROGRAM 2025-2026**

Welcome to the Accelerated Reader Program! At All Saints', we believe that reading is a vital life skill. A.R. is a fun, rewarding program designed to encourage reading while building fluency and confidence.

### About A.R.

A.R. is a computerized reading program beginning in first grade. It's individualized and noncompetitive—students choose books from the A.R. list at their reading level and pace. Each book has a point value based on its difficulty. After reading, students take a quiz and earn points based on correct answers.

### **Important Information**

- Students will take the STAR Reading test during the first full week of school. Teachers use these
  results, along with classroom observations, to assign an individualized reading range (will increase
  throughout the year) and a corresponding yearlong point goal.
- A.R. quizzes may only be taken at school during school hours: Monday–Friday, 7:50 AM–3:00 PM.

# Acceptable Ways to Read A.R. Books:

- 1. Student reads independently
- 2. Parent reads or shares the book
- 3. Teacher reads aloud to the class
- 4. Student listens to an approved, unabridged audiobook

Note: Cliff Notes, movies, videos, or abridged versions are not allowed. *Students must take quizzes independently.* 

### Finding A.R. Books

Library books at All Saints' are color-coded by reading level. You can also search for titles at <a href="https://www.arbookfind.com">www.arbookfind.com</a> to check if a book has an A.R. quiz.

# **Two-Part Rewards System**

### 1. Individual Goals and End-of-Year Party

<u>2nd–6th Grade</u>: Each student receives a yearlong point goal based on STAR test data and teacher input. To attend the A.R. Party (May 15), students must:

- Meet their point goal by May 8
- Maintain at least 85% average quiz comprehension

Quarterly benchmarks help students stay on track, but only the final total matters for party eligibility. Testing toward the yearlong goal begins Monday, August 25, following STAR test results. Students meeting their year-long goal by May 8th will be invited to the End-of-Year A.R. Party (details to be announced).

<u>1st Grade</u> follows the same structure, except the first quarter is a trial period. Goals begin in the 2nd quarter, with an 80% comprehension target (due to number of questions). Students may earn Flash Points starting in the 1st quarter.

## 2. Flash Points and School-wide Awards

In addition to individual goals, 1st–6th graders can earn Flash Point prizes for accumulating A.R. points throughout the year. Students are responsible for tracking and submitting points.

### Mid-Year Incentives!

- ★ Students who reach 150 points (1st–3rd) or 175 points (4th–6th) by December 19th will become Teacher Assistant for the Day.
- ★ Students who reach 200 points (1st–3rd) or 225 points (4th–6th) by December 19th will enjoy Lunch with Mr. Powell or Mrs. Quesada!

# Recognitions

Recognitions take place Fridays in the MPB from 8:10–8:30 AM. Recognition is based on cumulative points at the end of each term.

Term	Point Cutoff Date	Recognition Date
1	October 10th	October 24th
2	December 19th	January 9th
3	March 6th	March 13th
4	May 8th	May 15th

### A.R. Points and Awards 2025-2026

Points	Prizes (1st-3rd)	Points	Prizes (4th-6th)
5	Eraser	25	Button/Ribbon
10	Pencil	50	Bookmark/Ribbon
15	Brag Tag	75	Vinyl Sticker/Ribbon
25	Button/Ribbon	100	T-shirt/Ribbon
50	Bookmark/Ribbon	150	Fidget/Ribbon
75	Vinyl Sticker/Ribbon	200	Multicolor Pen/Ribbon
100	T-shirt/Ribbon	250	HW Pass or Read Aloud to Ks/Ribbon
150	Fidget/Ribbon	300	Make Daily Announcement/Ribbon
200	Gift Card/Ribbon	350	Gift Card/Ribbon
250	Make Daily Announcement/Ribbon	400	Gift Card/Ribbon
300	Gift Card/Ribbon	500	Medal, Plaque Ribbon
350	Lunch Outside with a Friend/Ribbon	750	Personalized Journal/Ribbon
400	Gift Card/Ribbon	1000	Trophy/Ribbon
500	Medal, Plaque, Ribbon	1250	Gift Card/Ribbon
750	Personalized Journal/Ribbon	1500	Headmaster for the Day/Ribbon
1000	Trophy/Ribbon		

## Schoolwide Goal:

Our goal is to collectively read 125,000,000 words!

If we reach this milestone, the entire school will be rewarded with donuts!



If you have any questions regarding A.R., please contact your child's teacher or Mrs. Haigler.