

KEEP THIS INFORMATION

Accelerated Reader

***ALWAYS CHECK TO SEE IF THE LIBRARY HAS THE TEST FOR YOUR BOOK!** Some books have an AR sticker on them, but we do not have the test. You may read as many books as you wish; I'll put your highest grade in my grade book.

Any extra books you read may be carried over to other months or used as extra credit. (Let me know if you want to use an AR score as extra credit.)

You must read a book that is at least the following grade level:

6th grade – 5.0 reading level or higher

7th grade – 6.0 reading level or higher

If the book you want to read is lower than the required reading level, bring it to me **before you read it**, and I **may** accept it. If your **Literature** teacher is requiring the class to read an AR book that is below your required level, it will be accepted as an AR test for GT. **TESTS MUST BE TAKEN AT NAMS.**

Tests must be taken by the following due dates:

Aug/Sep – Sep. 30

Oct – Oct 31

Nov/Dec – Dec 18

Jan – Jan 30

Feb – Feb. 27

Mar – Mar 31

Apr/May – May 15

If you are absent the day the test is due, you must take the test the first day you return to school.

Volunteer Hours

*5 hours due each 9- week period

Five volunteer hours will equal a "100" for a test grade. If no hours are completed, the student will have a "50" for a test grade. Each volunteer hour equals 10 points.

(Ex. Three volunteer hours would give a student an "80" for a test grade.)

Volunteer hours can be earned through various activities (many you may already be doing) – church (acolyte, choir/drama presentations, mission work, etc.), Scout activities, civic groups, coaching sports. You may also volunteer at soup kitchens or nursing homes. Fundraisers that benefit the community also count. Many of the activities in Student Council also count as volunteer hours. Check with the Ronald McDonald house in Augusta, various pet rescue groups, and Community Ministries of North Augusta to see if they have activities you may do. You may also earn time for helping with school carnivals.

No volunteer hours will be accepted for helping family members, working in a place of business (such as a daycare facility), or babysitting (exception – helping in the church nursery).

If you participated in any activities this summer that can be counted as volunteer hours, fill out the volunteer sheet and give it to me. Volunteer sheets are in the bottom basket on the center table.

Extra volunteer hours may be carried over to the next 9 weeks or used as extra credit points. Each extra volunteer hour equals 2 points. You may use up to 5 hours each 9 weeks as extra points. **You must let me know if you want to use hours as bonus points.**

*Volunteer Hours Due Dates

Oct. 17

Jan. 9

Mar. 20

May 22