

Reading Programs

Diplomat Elementary School . Cape Coral, Fl

At Diplomat Elementary School we have several successful reading programs that encourage reading achievement. Students may participate in various reading incentive programs: Accelerated Reader also called AR, Reader Rabbit and Battle of the Books. We also have special reading celebrations with PARP, Do You Want to be a Book-A-Naire and Dr. Seuss' Birthday Bash.



Reader Rabbit is the precursor to AR in which emerging readers complete a series of 70 booklets. Completing quizzes also earns these students a sticker and TV news appearance.



AR –Accelerated Reader

- **Overall:** AR provides reading practice at each student's current reading level. With Universal AR , students now have access to over 100,000 tests designed to assess the student's understanding of each book. Students contract quarterly to create appropriate reading goals.
- **Continuous:** AR *points* and *stickers* are awarded to student's who reach their point goal with an average of 85% correct within their reading range. Students are recognized on the *School TV news*.
- **Quarterly** students earn a *book charm* when meeting their quarterly goal at the 85% average.
- **End of Year:** In each class an *AR Trophy* is awarded to the student who has met all goals– with the highest possible points and at the 85% average for the year. *Reading Rock Star Medal* is awarded to one student in each class. Teachers will set the criteria. In addition, the top 3 students in Grades 1-5 with the highest points and 85% average will go to a *Pizza Party*. The top reader of the school gets their *picture displayed* in the media center for a year.

Book Battle is a district sponsored event to create interest and excitement in quality literature through a trivia game format. Students from 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade have until the end of February to read the 15 Book Battle Books. If they reach this goal and pass the AR tests at 85% they are invited to a Red Carpet Event and can then try out for the team.



For more information see **Book Battle Book Trailers** <http://Leecountybooktrailers.wikispaces.com>